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OVER 30 ARE KILLED IN ZEPHYR CYCLONE

TOWN NEAR BROWNWOOD SCENE OF CALAMITY—SCORES INJURED.

SEVENTY-FIVE HOUSES RAZED

Strip Three Hundred Yards Wide Swept—Fire Adds to the Horror.

Brownwood, May 31.—At 12:15 o'clock Sunday morning a cyclone struck the little town of Zephyr, the first station on the Santa Fe east of here, and almost completely destroyed the town.

Over thirty dead and a score or more injured was the awful scene to greet the survivors after the cyclone had gone.

The cloud came from the west and first struck in the edge of town and cut a strip 300 yards wide through the most thickly settled part. Not a building was left in its path.

The first news to reach Brownwood of the storm was brought by a man who came from Zephyr on a handcar and asked that help be sent at once. A relief train containing physicians and all who could be summoned to go and assist in the relief work left here at 4 o'clock this morning.

The regular train which leaves here at 7 a. m. also carried a large number to assist in the work. Another train carrying food, clothing and bedding went again at noon. The people of Zephyr are dazed at the awfulness of the disaster, but people from here who went to the relief of the sufferers have the matter well in hand, and different committees have been appointed to look after the wants of the sufferers and to attend to the burial of the dead.

To add to the seriousness of the situation fire broke out in the business part of town, destroying the Zephyr Mirror building, Cahler's Lumber Company, Zephyr Mercantile Company.

Several business houses were also destroyed by the storm, among them being Cobb & Quarrell's barber shop, Wren's drug store, Cobb & Shelton's wagon yard and livery stable. A number of horses were killed in the livery stable.

The number of buildings estimated destroyed is placed at seventy-five. Hardly a building in the town escaped being destroyed or damaged by being moved out of place or window lights broken.

The new public school building, a handsome three-story structure, was totally destroyed.

About thirty minutes before the storm struck the town the Masons had adjourned their meeting at the schoolhouse. Had they been in the building it is believed not one could have escaped.

Out of seven persons who went to Zephyr last evening to spend Sunday, six of them were killed, among them being Thad Cahler, County Clerk, wife and two children; Prof. T. H. Hart's wife and one child. The other child of Prof. Hart is so badly injured it can not live. Thad Cahler's father was also killed and his mother received injuries which will prove fatal.

Thirty coffins have been sent from here Sunday to Zephyr, Tex., to bury the victims of last night's cyclone. A large number was put to work early this morning digging graves. The bodies of Prof. Hart's wife and child, who lost their lives in the cyclone, were brought here on the first train this morning for burial. There were a large number of the injured brought here, as not enough homes were left in Zephyr to care for the injured. The people here were quick to furnish relief for the sufferers.

The merchants opened their stores and gave whatever was needed. At Zephyr a donation was made for the sufferers by the hundreds who flocked to the scene of the storm.

A relief train from the scene of the Zephyr cyclone reports Dr. W. S. Wren, Mrs. W. H. Hicks and Mrs. Cahler, had all died from their injuries. It is stated several more are expected to die before morning.

Twenty-one of the injured were taken to the hospital at Temple Sunday night. Another body found near the ruins of the school building, that of a young lady, has not been identified, and was badly mutilated.

Fifty witnesses were sworn Friday in the Federal Court at Dallas in the action of the Government against Fred Fleming, D. A. Templeton and A. J. Elliott, charged with the use of the mails to defraud in connection with the business of the Western Bank & Trust Company.

TEXAS NEWS HAPPENINGS

Belton physicians are circulating a petition in favor of a sewerage system. George McClung shipped out seven teen cars of fat cattle from Cleburne to Chicago Saturday afternoon.

The Santa Fe depot at Pecan Gap was burglarized a few nights ago and some whisky was carried away. The first regular train carrying passengers on the newly constructed Abilene and Southern road left Abilene Wednesday at 2 o'clock.

Hattie Chapple, a young negress, was shot to death Friday in Houston. George Chapple, her husband, was arrested, charged with the shooting.

W. G. Taylor of Temple, was struck by the Santa Fe train on the eBau mont branch Wednesday near the Navasota bridge, and instantly killed.

W. W. Jacobs of Temple, Thursday, disposed of seventy-two bales of cotton he has been holding, selling the entire lot to a local buyer at 10½c.

The contract for the new \$18,000 school building to be erected at Rotan, was let Friday. Work is to be commenced immediately and be completed by Oct. 1, 1909.

At all the car barns in the city of Philadelphia the motormen and conductors when they turned in their cars Friday, were notified that a strike had been declared.

A movement is on foot in Pittsburg, Tex., to build an immense lake a few miles from town. Options have been taken on 700 acres of land and stock is being rapidly subscribed.

Articles of incorporation of the Altus, Lubbock, Roswell and El Paso Railroad company, were filed in the state department Monday at Austin capital \$500,000. The principal office is Lubbock, Lubbock county.

Miss Jessie Lena Thompson of Deatur, who was the guest in Ft. Worth of her sister, Mr. C. D. Sellers, was found dead in her bed Thursday morning, having expired some time during the night, presumably from heart failure.

The Webster Refining Company of Jennings, La., an independent company with offices in New Orleans, has been awarded a large oil contract to supply 160,000 gallons of kerosene oil to the Panama Canal Commission during the coming year.

The State Commissioner of Insurance and Banking at Austin has granted licenses to the Philadelphia Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia and the Royal Neighbors of America, a fraternal organization of Rock Island, Ill., to do business in Texas.

One more chapter in the history of the Waters-Pierce litigation was enacted Thursday when Sheriff George S. Matthews of Travis County was allowed fees amounting to \$4,542.38 for the collection of the Waters-Pierce fine under execution.

Thursday was Clean-Up Day for Amarillo, the city officials and the Civic League working in conjunction to bring about a clean city, and as a result of their combined efforts the city is tonight absolutely cleaned of all rubbish such as would breed disease.

The state department of health has just completed the compilation of the state of the birth statistics of the state of Texas for 1908 for the use of the bureau of vital statistics at Washington. It was found that there were 52,000 births reported to the department during the past year.

The Panhandle Automobile Association met in Plainview, Amarillo, Lubbock, Floydada and a number of other towns were represented. After the business meeting a procession was formed at the Santa Fe depot on arrival of the afternoon train and paraded to the court house square, where all the cars were formed in line and photographed. There were ninety-nine cars in the line-up.

Complaint has been filed with Representative Garner by persons interested in the coal mines at Laredo and Eagle Pass, charging that the Mexican Government is discriminating against Texas coal through exorbitant freight rates on the Government-controlled railroads from the Texas coal fields.

That \$29,585.37 had been raised for all purposes in the Dallas district during the last six months was the report made Wednesday at the district conference of the Methodist Church, Dallas District, in session in Oak Cliff.

Work is being rapidly pushed on the extension of the Roscoe, Snyder and Pacific Railroad, northwest of Fluvanna, a distance of about twenty-five miles, where a good little town has already sprung up.

Mac Stewart, the noted Confederate soldier who was confined for many years in a prison at Parol, State of Chihuahua, Mexico, under a life sentence upon a charge of murder, and whose case aroused great interest among Confederate veterans throughout the South, is lying at the point of death at his home in Whitney.

GOOD ITEMS OF NEWS

ENTIRE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS THAT ARE WORTH PASSING NOTICE.

WHOLE WORLD THE FIELD

Current Domestic and Foreign News Boiled Down to Readable and Small Space.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The Senate program for this week includes nothing but the tariff, and there is no prospect for any of that spice which is said to be the result of varied and vigorous debates. The sessions will continue to begin early, and there is now a possibility that they will be held at night.

That the third special Grand Jury investigating the charges in the town lot cases against Gov. Haskell and other prominent citizens of Muskogee does not propose to let the grass grow under its feet, but will make haste to conclude this investigation is very evident.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS.

Ernest Hogan, one of the best known negro comedians and song writers, is dead at his home in New York.

Celestino Castro, brother of the deposed President of Venezuela, was Friday served with a notice of his expulsion from the island of Curacao.

Many of the holders of cotton in the Taylor section are turning loose their holdings of last season's cotton at the prevailing market quotations. A. C. Johnson Monday sold twenty-one bales at 10½c.

The subscribers to the fund for the Waco-Temple Interurban Electrical Railway met Tuesday in Waco and selected the name of the company which is the Central Texas Development Company.

Andrew Carnegie has arranged to give \$1,000,000 for the establishment of a "hero fund" in France under practically the same conditions as govern similar funds in the United States and Scotland.

Active work on the new railroad from Pecos to Marfa via the Toyah Valley was begun Tuesday morning. Camp supplies have been purchased and a gang of men secured to begin clearing the right of way.

The gasoline boat Dorris, with ten passengers on board, capsized in the middle of the Yazoo canal, at Vicksburg, Miss., during a storm at midnight Tuesday, and seven passengers are believed to have been drowned.

Oklahoma State banks, between the calls of February 5 and April 28, gained in individual deposits \$5,831,223.76, according to the statement issued Wednesday from the State Banking Department.

Cora Walrop, aged 9 years, daughter of the Texas and Pacific section foreman at Iona, four miles east of Aledo, was accidentally killed Sunday morning by the accidental discharge of a rifle in the hands of her brother.

A circumstantial report to the effect that William Nelson Cromwell of New York is being considered for appointment as Minister to China by President Taft, while not officially denied at the White House Wednesday, was not confirmed in the slightest degree.

Chicago bankers, manufacturers and business men meet the view of those of the East in forecasting an early return of full prosperity. The depression of 1907 and 1908 is declared to be a thing of the past, with the passing furies and failures here and there having no bad effect on the general faith and the general situation.

One of the severest shocks since the great earthquake, occurred Tuesday in Messina. The movement was both vertical and horizontal and lasted ten seconds. The shock was preceded by a rumbling noise. The populace fled panic-stricken and the walls of the ruins in various places collapsed.

Financial problems constitute the gravest feature of anxiety on the part of the Cuban Government, and with protracted delay in the presentation of the budget for the coming year the general feeling of uncertainty and lack of confidence becomes accentuated.

Five people are dead and at least ten seriously injured, several thousand acres of crops are inundated and every stream in the northern and eastern part of the State raging as a result of almost unprecedented rains during the past few days in Oklahoma.

May wheat went to \$1.34¼ Monday, in Chicago, and the grain pits presented a scene of the wildest confusion. May oats went to 62½c, the highest point since 1875 and every other grain, with the exception of September and December corn, made a new high mark.

Johnson County Old Settlers' Reunion has been set for August 11, 12 and 13.

In Tuesday's election at Gordon, the vote for waterworks bonds was 75 for and 8 against.

Guilltume Dubufe, the noted painter, died Thursday in Paris, France. He was born in 1853.

Saturday, July 3, has been set as the date for laying the cornerstone of Scurry County's new court house.

W. I. Fegan, a capitalist from San Antonio, is in Taylor for the purpose of establishing a cement and concrete factory there.

Commencing last week, three railroads in Oklahoma, all branch lines of the Rock Island system, are operated by telephone.

Wednesday was the last day of the history-making trip of the Battleship Mississippi on the great river, whose name it bears, to Natchez and return.

An electrical storm, accompanied by a heavy downpour of rain, occurred in Waco Friday morning, causing rapid gains in the depth of local streams.

Judge J. P. Fairley, one of the best known citizens of Saucier, Miss., dropped dead as the result of excitement, due to a storm which swept over Saucier Tuesday.

The management of the Pennsylvania road has sent out an official notice of its determination in the future to give the public every possible detail regarding accidents.

Albert Aiken, a negro who desperately wounded John Spire, a white farmer, near Lincolnton, Ga., Saturday, was hanged by a posse of about 190 men just before daylight Monday.

Rock Island engine No. 158, which pulled Chicago train No. 11 into Fort Worth Tuesday, had the headlight struck by lightning, while passing through the storm in Oklahoma.

Private advices received Tuesday stated harvesting of wheat has begun in three counties of Texas and the yield would be fourteen or fifteen bushels to the acre on an average.

No longer will the Pacific entrance to the Panama Canal be known as La Boca, meaning the mouth. The town of La Boca has been rechristened Balboa in honor of the discoverer of the Pacific.

The second meeting of the Panhandle Auto Association began at Plainview Tuesday, with about seventy-five autoists present, representing nearly every town of importance in the Panhandle.

A protocol for submission to arbitration of the Emery claim was signed Tuesday night with representatives of the Nicaraguan Government at the home of Secretary of State Knox in Washington.

It was estimated by Agent F. S. Sage for the Italian steamship Delphine that the loss sustained Wednesday in a cotton cargo fire aboard that vessel at pier 15 in Galveston is about \$30,000.

It is the subject of comment by commission men that eggs have been higher this season than ever before in Texas. For months prices have ruled from 3c to 4c above the market of the corresponding period.

Information from an authoritative source has reached President Taft and Secretary Knox in the last day or two showing a serious condition of affairs in Cuba, and portending a situation that may easily demand another intervention.

News of the utmost importance to Jews of the world over was received in New York Friday in a special cable dispatch from Constantinople, saying that the Turkish Government had invited the Jews of Russia and Roumania to settle in Turkey.

The trial of the native tribesmen charged with killing Dr. Wm. Jones, noted anthropologist of the Field Museum of Chicago, in Isabell, a province on the island of Luzon, P. I., last March, was concluded at Bahongong Friday. Three of the natives were sentenced to death.

A rousing time is to be had in Marlin on June 9. An old-fashioned barbecue will be given by the citizens of the city to the whole of Falls County.

More than 2,000 visitors were in Galveston Sunday. The summer season on the beach was heralded by as many more Galvestonians.

Five children who took part in the commencement exercises at Central City, Tenn., school Tuesday night were fatally burned; the audience was changed from an applauding group into a fighting mob and several other children were injured.

Reports come in from the country south of San Angelo that the damage done by the storm that passed over this section Saturday was enormous. A woman was killed at Van Court, a country postoffice about fifteen miles south of this place.

Capt. E. A. Bolmes, chief of the Pension Bureau in the Controller's department at Austin, says there will not be sufficient money under the appropriation made, which is up to the limit of the Constitution, to pay Confederate pensioners \$8 per month each, as is contemplated by the present law.

OVER \$1,700,000 REDUCTIONS MADE

GOVERNOR CAMPBELL STRIKES NUMEROUS ITEMS FROM GEN- ERAL APPROPRIATION BILL.

EXPECTS NO TAX INCREASE

Expresses Belief It May Be Only Five Cents Next Year—Sends in Proclamation.

Austin, Tex., May 31.—Having cut more than \$1,700,000 out of the general appropriation; having a promise of the University that \$100,000 of its appropriation will not be used; having made a contract which will obviate the necessity of spending \$250,000 for a State water and light plant, and having previously vetoed a bill appropriating \$200,000 for a tuberculosis sanitarium, Gov. Campbell feels that the tax rate this year will not be higher than that of last year, 61-4c, and that next year it may not be over 5c.

The most notable vetoes in the appropriation bill are those which cancel all the appropriations for scholarships at the State normal schools, the sum aggregating \$140,000, and those canceling all appropriations for new buildings at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, amounting to \$90,000, among them the item of \$60,000 for a new dormitory.

This bunch of vetoes may be epoch-making, for, unlike other vetoes of items in this bill, it is not to be based upon the ground of economical necessity, but is based upon the ground that the Legislature has no constitutional right to make such appropriations. The Legislature has for many years been making appropriations for such purposes, notwithstanding the constitutional objection has often been raised. Each member of the Legislature is permitted to appoint two pupils to each of the normal schools and each of these pupils has been granted a scholarship carrying a cash allowance of \$50 a year. This will now stop.

As the Agricultural and Mechanical College: the college according to the Constitution, is a branch of the University, and when the constitution was framed it was considered that the college would share in the available funds of the University. But the college was years ago granted independence from the University Control.

What it will do in the future to provide new buildings, since Gov. Campbell has cut it off from legislative assistance it is difficult to forecast. The past two years it has been necessary to quarter hundreds of students in tents.

The Governor vetoes the item of \$1,068,900 for the payment of public debts, he cut the appropriation for new buildings of asylums and took big slices out of the Controller's Land and Health Departments, vetoing the item of \$30,000 to build a detention hospital at Galveston. This item was to come out of the special quarantine fee fund.

Because of the provision which makes any item appropriated for the first year available for disbursement in either year, Gov. Campbell cut many second year allowances, saying that the allowances for the first year were sufficient for both years.

The items stricken from the general appropriation bill by the Governor total \$1,703,084, or nearly 20 per cent of the bill. Add to that \$100,000 which the University regents agree not to use, and which Gov. Campbell treats as vetoed the aggregate of the vetoed items is \$1,803,084. Add to that the \$200,000 for a tuberculosis sanitarium which the Governor previously vetoed and the \$250,000 for a water and light plant, which he approved, but will not use, the total deductions from appropriations are \$2,253,084.

The general appropriation bill at it now stands it \$4,189,224 for the year ending August 31, 1910, and \$3,706,444 for the year ending August 31, 1911, hereinafter referred to as the first and second years, respectively, and \$53,023 of miscellaneous items which are immediately available, making a grand total of \$7,948,304. Add to this \$1,683,017 of special appropriations and deduct from same the water and light item of \$250,000, which will not be used and the aggregate of all appropriations of the Thirty-First Legislature, as approved, is \$9,381,821.

The Governor makes this statement: That the gross appropriations made by the Thirty-First Legislature were \$3,577,170, more than those made by the Thirtieth, and that the items vetoed by him, plus the \$250,000 water and light item, deducts \$2,251,481 from the total.

It will thus be seen that the aggregate increase in net appropriation is \$1,325,689, or \$391,320 less than the Waters-Pierce Oil Company fine.

ADDITIONAL DEATHS OKLAHOMA STORM

THREE REPORTED KILLED AT DE- PEW AND OTHERS RE- PORTED INJURED.

PROPERTY LOSS AT DEPEW

None Killed at Keywest and Stroud, Although Several Are Fa- tally Injured.

Sapulpa, Ok., May 31.—Three negroes are reported killed at Depew in Saturday night's storm. Charles Greening, white, was badly injured.

A negro woman sustained a broken back. Nine dwellings and two business houses were demolished. Cotton owned by R. P. Baker was struck by lightning and burned. A stock of goods was destroyed. The hotel was badly damaged. Other heavy property loss resulted.

Oklahoma City: Reports from the storm-stricken district near Keywest, Ok., tonight are to the effect that no lives were lost, though the number of injured is about fifteen, two fatally. Charles Brannon, postmaster at Depew, is not expected to live. Mrs. J. L. Hart of Keywest is critically injured. The property loss will be large.

Government War On Rats.

Washington: Rats are receiving continued attention from the Agricultural Department; the campaign started against them made some progress in the extermination of the pest. A recent bulletin issued by the department figured out that a rat can eat 60c worth of grain a year, and if all the rats in the country were fed on grain at once, it would cost more than \$100,000,000 a year to board them. It has been estimated that a pair of rats and their progeny, breeding without interruption and suffering no losses, would in three years increase to more than 20,000,000.

Buys Big Tract Texas Land.

Omaha, Neb.: Isaac Conner of Omaha has purchased 21,500 acres of farm land in Webb County, Texas, forty-five miles from Laredo. He has plans matured for locating a large colony of Germans from Nebraska and Iowa there. Plan is to cut the property into tracts of forty and eighty acres each and to sell to these people, who desire to go into the business of truck farming and fruit raising.

Cyclone in Oklahoma.

Stroud, Ok.: A cyclone Saturday afternoon about 5 o'clock struck the towns of Key West, a small negro village about four and a half miles southeast of here, and Depew, eleven miles east. At Key West five buildings were demolished and it is reported a number are seriously injured, but no one killed.

Meteor in West Texas.

Dublin: A large meteor passed over this city Sunday. The heavens were lighted up as bright as day for about a minute and was immediately followed by a terrific explosion, which shook the earth as if by an earthquake. Windows and the iron awnings about the city rattled as if shaken by some unseen power.

Attack Made On Governor.

Lima, Peru: A rising of political factions occurred here Saturday with the object of overthrowing the government of President Leguia. An attack was made upon the palace and firing was heard in all parts of the city. It is reported that many are dead and wounded.

Quannah Terminal Improvements.

Quannah: Workmen for the Quannah, Acme and Pacific Railway Company have begun breaking dirt for the terminal grounds and depot. This is quite a boom in the way of building, and there is now something like fifty or sixty business houses in course of construction, giving employment to many carpenters.

Three Men Are Killed.

Mobile: Three men killed and one seriously injured when an extra freight engine and caboose of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad shortly after leaving Mobile Saturday, ran into a washout about a mile north of the city on the line of the Mobile, Jackson and Kansas City.

First Car of Tomatoes.

Jacksonville: A. Y. Shoemaker loaded the first car of tomatoes of the season here Saturday. A number of crates have been shipped by express this week. Prices are about \$2 per crate. The shipping season will open next week.

W. F. Kellis, Editor and Proprietor.

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ISSUED EVERY FRIDAY AT STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

Subscribers failing to get their paper on time, will confer a favor by reporting same to us.

Overseer Rutherford had his men out last Monday doing some much needed work on the Big Lake road. The recent rains put the roads in bad condition in some places, and overseers on most of the roads have had the boys doing about.

Now, that we have settled on a good and sound faculty for our public schools, let us unite in pulling to make the session of 1909-10 a record breaker for educational advancement. If we intend to follow the precedent that has always obtained in Sterling City—that of changing teachers every year, let us be fair with these teachers by giving them timely notice that their services are no longer desired after their present contract expires.

There are fifteen boys in jail in San Antonio charged with burglary and about that many doing daddies and mummies can sit up 'o nights and tell that threnody of rank silliness, "Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight?" The wise father and sensible mother always know where their boy is at night. They know that he is safely housed in the sheltering of the home and these parents are never known to be out whining and pleading for public sympathy and seeking bondsmen for their sons. Give us the Curfew ordinance.—San Angelo Standard.

The disastrous cyclone, at Zephyr, in Brown County, in which over thirty lives were lost, should be a warning to people to build good and secure storm houses. It is said that had not so many people in Zephyr taken refuge in storm caves, the death list would have been appalling, for nothing could have lived through that terrific blast. A storm house does not cost much to build, and, aside from the safety it affords a family in case of a storm, it is worth its cost as a cellar.

The semi-superstitious prejudice that some people entertain against going into a storm house at times when a storm threatens, is indeed foolish. One had as well refuse to go under a shelter out of a shower of rain or refuse to put on a life buoy when the ship on which he is sailing is sinking, as to refuse to seek a place of safety when the deadly cyclone is about to strike. Many a person has paid the price of these foolish notions with his life.

Teachers Elected

Last Wednesday, the trustees of Independent District No. 1, elected Prof. S. B. Wallace for principal of the Sterling City public schools, and Mrs. S. B. Wallace as first assistant. It is probably settled in the minds of the trustees that Mrs. N. L. Dong has will be the second assistant and Miss Meers will have charge of the primary department.

MASONS ELECT OFFICERS

Last Saturday night, the Masons, at their regular stated meeting, elected the following officers for the ensuing Music year: W. L. Foster, W. M.; W. F. Latham, S. W.; Geo. H. McEntire, J. W.; L. M. Latham, Treasurer; N. L. Douglas, Secretary; R. H. Layne, Filer.

Installation ceremonies will take place on the 24th, inst.

RAILROAD TALK

J. J. Lanin Wires That He Will Be Here Soon. Encouraging News From Another Source

J. J. Lanin, the railroad man who proposes to build a railroad between Sterling and San Angelo, has wired O. H. Graham that he will be here next week to negotiate with our citizens in regard to the right of way and bonus for the road. He has given out that he will complete and have the road in operation before the expiration of the present year.

We are in the possession of facts of a private nature, which we are not at liberty to publish, that if publicly known, would make things take on a very lively aspect. Perhaps, in our next issue we may be able to give our readers some sure enough railroad news.

THAT MUDHOLE

The loss in time, the wear and tear of vehicles and the saving of horse flesh, if placed at a cash value, would more than amount to the cost of improving every public road in the county.

Take for instance that bog hole in The San Angelo road, in the Oak flat; if the loss of time, the injury to horses and vehicles and the damage to goods, accrued in last ten days, were converted into money it would pay a long way toward placing culverts, grading and macadamizing that busy and important thoroughfare.

The day has come when we must get out of the old rut and be wise. We must stop monkeying with the spigot until we stop the juice from wasting at the bung hole. The man who opposes good, straight roads, from now on, will have to stand aside to let the procession of progress and civilization pass, or be run over. The twelve-inch trail was good enough for the Indian, likewise the buffalo and the cow; for it was come day, go day and God send Sunday with them. The dim wag on trail of the last decade was good enough for the cattleman, for he could go around the bad places, but in these days of long lanes, good wagons, buggies and automobiles, we must have better and straighter roads. The younger generation is full of energy and moss has not yet sprouted on their backs, and they realize that it is fast coming their time to run things, and we old ducks may just as well make up our minds to get in the push and get the moss off our backs; for they are going to run things in the future.

PROPERTY IN SCUDDAY WEATHERED CONTROVERSY IN HANDS OF SHERIFF

In the case of Scudday vs Weathered, now pending in our District Court, the plaintiff, this week, had all the property in controversy sequestered. Sheriff Jno. B. Ayres went over and executed the writ, took charge and left the property in the hands of John Sullivan to care for. We understand that a party under took to interfere with the Sheriff in the discharge of his duty; but he was quickly arrested and brought to town, where he was afterward released.

IN EVIDENCE

"Yes, sir," the barber prattled, as he shaved the patron, "hipin" is mighty high these days. All kinds of prices has gone up so it's hard fur as workin' men to even git enough to eat."

"Yes?" groaned the victim; "I judge, however, that you find onions cheap enough." — The Catholic Standard.

No need of that pain in the stomach, why writhe, groan and suffer? Take GRAND MAM'S DIARRHEA CURE. It affords quick relief and is a positive cure for Diarrhea, Colic, Dysentery, Bloody Flux and relieve vomiting and purging.

ELECTION NOTICE

Be it ordered by the Board of Trustees of the Independent School District No. One, Sterling County, Texas, that an election be held in the Court House, in the town of Sterling City, in said Independent District No. One, on the 10th day of July, A. D. 1909, to determine whether the Board of Trustees of said district shall have the power to annually levy and collect a tax upon all taxable property in said district, for the support and maintenance of public free schools in said Independent School District No. One, Sterling County, Texas, of and at the rate of not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100. valuation of taxable property in said district, such tax, if voted, to be levied and collected for the year 1909, and annually thereafter, unless it be discontinued as provided by law.

And it is further ordered that J. W. Tweedie is hereby appointed Manager of said election, and he shall select two Judges and two Clerks to assist him in holding said election.

None but property taxpayers, who are qualified voters in said Independent School District No. One, Sterling County, Texas, shall vote at said election.

A copy of this order, signed by the president and attested by the clerk of this Board, shall serve as proper notice of such election, and the President shall cause notice of such election to be given in accordance with law.

Witness our hands this 1st day of June, 1909.

Attest: Henry Dayle, B. Allen, Secretary, President, Independent School Dist. No. One Sterling Co., Texas.

U. S. Department of Agriculture, Office of The Secretary

Washington, D. C., May 23, 1909. Notice No. 49. Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture has, under authority conferred by law, issued Amendment 1 to Rule 1 Revision 4 (Amendment 1 to B. A. Order 158) dated May 21, 1909, and effective on and after June 1, 1909, to prevent the spread of pleurotic fever in cattle, which amends Rule 1 Revision 4, effective on and after April 1, 1909. The effect of this amendment is to place the counties of Irion and Sterling and that portion of Tom Green County west of a line extending due north from the northeast corner of Irion County to the southern boundary of Cook County in the State of Texas, in the quarantined area from which cattle shall be moved or allowed to move interstate in accordance with the regulations for immediate slaughter. Copies of this amendment may be obtained from the Chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, whose address is Washington, D. C. JAMES WILSON, SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing Cities and Towns with a Population in Excess of 5,000 to be Incorporated by Special Act.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6. Section 1. That Article 11, Sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts, be amended as follows: Section 1. 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 21 and 69 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free school, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents in the \$100 valuation, as with the other sources, 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 by general or special law, without the formal notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such districts, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts, heretofore formed or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings thereon, provided that a majority of the qualified property taxing 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 the sum of 10 cents for the purpose of such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such newspaper may be published, and the Governor be and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution."

Section 2. That \$5000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above. (A true copy.) W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.

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FRIENDLY WITH JAPAN.

Two Japanese cruisers have sailed in through the Golden Gate. Their officers and men have been made welcome and given the right hand of fellowship. The reception has been a warm one, and there has not been even the shadow of ill-feeling, says the Pittsburg Dispatch. No outbursts have occurred to mar the visit of our friends from the other side of the Pacific, and not a single voice has been raised to indicate that the Japanese naval representatives are anything but the most agreeable visitors. Possibly this is not a notable fact. But it seems worthy of consideration by reason of the agitation with which California, and, indeed, the whole country, was stirred last winter when the law-makers of that state were contemplating adverse legislation against Japanese who have settled there. Feeling then appeared to be bitter. Very likely this is not wholly dead, but merely temporarily subdued. But these latest manifestations of friendship for the Japanese indicate that while there may be a Japanese problem for future solution, it is not so serious but that it can be settled with perfect amity and understanding. The future holds forth no promise of war with the mikado.

Storms have an important economic relationship to the country. The bad weather of the spring served to retard growth and may have the effect of reducing largely the production of some food articles, although there is still abundant ground for hope that the principal crops will be of normal size. And the florists have had their troubles with the weather. Peculiarly acute is the case of a Cincinnati flower dealer, who has been forced into bankruptcy. A hailstorm visited that section and did such damage to his greenhouses and flower beds that he was compelled to seek a compromise with creditors. The elements are uncertain quantities when it comes to agriculture and horticulture.

The story from Kingston, St. Vincent, in the British West Indies, that the captain and crew of the New Bedford whaling ship Carrie D. Knowles, which has been missing five years, have since their disappearance been confined in secret Venezuelan dungeons reads like a chapter from yellow covered literature. An American seaman tells the story of his escape from prison and gives the names of the crew of the missing ship. The matter will doubtless be thoroughly sifted by the state department, to ascertain whether the sailor is telling the truth or "reeling off a yarn." It does not seem possible that anything like this could be kept under cover in Venezuela for five years.

The allegation from Young Turk sources that evidence has been found indicating the intention of the revolutionists of April 13 to enter upon a general massacre of foreigners in Constantinople may be regarded with skepticism in some quarters. But the story certainly fits in closely with the doings in Syria and elsewhere in Asia Minor, where the slaughter of Christians followed immediately on the heels of the uprising in the capital city. And there is a widespread belief that there were high officials under the administration of Abdul Hamid who were not at all too good to wink at, if not openly to encourage, such savagery.

Another difficulty in aviation is brought to the front by experience in a balloon competition at Berlin, Germany. Six balloons ascended in a rain, which turned to snow in the upper strata of air, and the flying machines were unable to make any considerable progress, being weighted with snow, and when they landed they were incumbered with snow to the depth of a foot. There are limits to airship usefulness which as yet have not been passed.

Mehmed V., the new sultan of Turkey, makes a most cordial reply to the congratulations of President Taft, in which he expresses most happy appreciation of the courtesy and in return avows his wish for "both your happiness and prosperity and those of the great and noble American people." That seems sincere and friendly. Could any one imagine any such expression issuing from Mehmed's predecessor?

The president of one of the largest woolen concerns in the country says the business is booming, and he expects an increase this year of \$20,000,000 over the highest figures ever reported for a similar period. That does not look as though this great American industry is going to smash.

American cruisers are racing toward Turkey to protect their subjects. An American cruiser is a pretty convincing argument even to a blood-thirsty Turk.

"GETTING" THEM ONE BY ONE

The Violent Deaths, in Different Parts of the World, of the Men Accused of Complicity in the Crime of Killing Giuseppe di Primo's Brother-in-Law.

NEW YORK—A cablegram from Italy the other day brought the information that Vito di Luca, "a land owner," had been shot and killed as he was leaving the theater in the little town of Carini, near Palermo, and that the crime was connected with one in America. The news did not seem important, but at almost the same time Salvatore Marchione, or Marchese, was killed here, and the coincidence appeared so strange in view of the cable reference to "a crime in America," that the item found a place in the newspapers.

It was read by many Italians with a knowing smile and by a few with a deep and sinister meaning. One or two of them held up five fingers and whispered five names, of which that of Vito di Luca, the man killed in Sicily, was the fifth.

Vito di Luca, or Laduca, for he has been known by both names, used to keep a butcher's shop in Stanton street, Manhattan, in 1903, and subsequently opened two in Brooklyn, then one in Baltimore. If you mention his name at police headquarters the will recall the famous "barrel murder," one of the unsolved mysteries of crime in New York, and it is probable they will turn to a picture in the Rogues' gallery bearing the name of Vito di Luca, alias Vito Laduca. They will also show you a portrait of Giuseppe di Primo, who, they will tell you, was the brother-in-law of Benedetto Madonia, whose mutilated body was found one April morning in 1903 packed in a barrel at Avenue D and Eleventh street. They will add that no one was convicted of that crime, but that a strange fatality has pursued the men who were arrested on suspicion, but who escaped with no punishment save a fine for carrying concealed weapons.

Di Primo Then in Sing Sing. At the time that murder Giuseppe di Primo was in Sing Sing, serving a sentence for counterfeiting. He was the distributor of a large gang of counterfeiters on whose trail Detective Petrosini (who was killed a few weeks ago in Sicily) had been camping, and he was the first fruits of Petrosini's work. After his sentence Benedetto Madonia made frantic efforts to get him liberated. A certain Tomasso Petto, known as "Petto the Ox," visited di Primo in prison several times. Madonia was living in Buffalo, but he made many mysterious trips to this city and Pittsburg.

The night before his body was found he had been seen by three secret service men in the butcher shop of Giuseppe di Luca, in Stanton street, in company with several others of the men suspected of counterfeiting. Giuseppe di Primo, in prison, identified a photograph of the murdered man as that of his brother-in-law. The barrel in which the body had been packed was similar to those in di Luca's butcher shop.

As soon as the murder became known the secret service men who had

were brought in, slammed on the floor before the inspector and searched. A heap of deadly coltelli and pistols and many rosaries were shaken from them. Each was in a panic of terror and their cries for mercy mingled with the curses of the officers. Trembling and bleeding, their clothing torn from them, they were lined up and put through the third degree. When McCluskey was through and the wretches were hustled away to their cells the inspector said: "Well, boys, we have got the right man, and it is our fault if we don't put half of them in the chair."

Could Not Be Proved Guilty. On Petto the Ox were found pawn tickets for the murdered man's watch and other effects; clothing on the dead man's body was identified as belonging to several members of the gang, and they were the persons seen with him two hours before the finding of his mutilated body.

But none of these men was convicted of murder. Petto the Ox was indicted for murder in the first degree and committed to the Tombs without bail, and seven of his associates were at first held as witnesses, but as the district attorney was unable to gather enough evidence against them they were released. Petto's friends engaged the best of counsel and after a year in prison the district attorney consented to his liberation on his own recognizance, on the ground that he had insufficient evidence to convict him.

The failure to convict the barrel murder gang for anything more serious than carrying concealed weapons was one of the most costly miscarriages of American justice on record. That gang was the first fruits of the Black Hand, and if it had been crushed and its rooted connection dug up and destroyed there might be no Black Hand to-day, but the best that Petrosini and the New York police could do was to drive them out of New York.

The day they were freed Giuseppe di Primo was in a state of wildly excited suspense. When he heard the news he raved, but suddenly grew quiet, and kneeling with his rosary in his hands, he swore the great oath of vendetta. Then he waited, sending word to his friends outside the prison walls to keep constant trace of the gang, that he wanted to know always where they were. At the end of his three years' term he walked out of the doors of the prison, an exultant smile on his crooked mouth, took train for Buffalo, saw the widow and children of Madonia, tried his eye and hand for an hour in a Niagara street shooting gallery, found that he was still the wonderful marksman he had been, and then vanished.

"Petto the Ox" First Victim. Giuseppe di Primo is a little man, with a thin, hard face and a crooked mouth. All who know him remember him by his smile, which is crooked and cruel.

As soon as di Primo was released from Sing Sing Petto the Ox vanished from New York. He went to Pennsylvania and was soon living in a

lets, the first in the feet, the second in the right knee, the third in the groin, the fourth and last in the heart, and Petto the Ox fell dead.

Girolamo Mondini was one of the later suspects arrested by McCluskey. He had been one of Raffaello Palizzolo's band of cabmen in Palermo that had the reputation of a fondness for killing for the fun of it. A more desperate set of men than these never lived. It is on record that a billiard hall proprietor offered one of these men fifteen lire (\$3) one night to stick a stiletto in the leg of a perfect stranger who had created a disturbance in the billiard hall. The cabman took the money, followed the man and an hour later drove up in front of the billiard hall, lifted out of his cab the stranger's corpse with a row of 15 stiletto wounds in the chest, laid the grisly thing on the pavement, tossed the fifteen lire into the door and drove away.

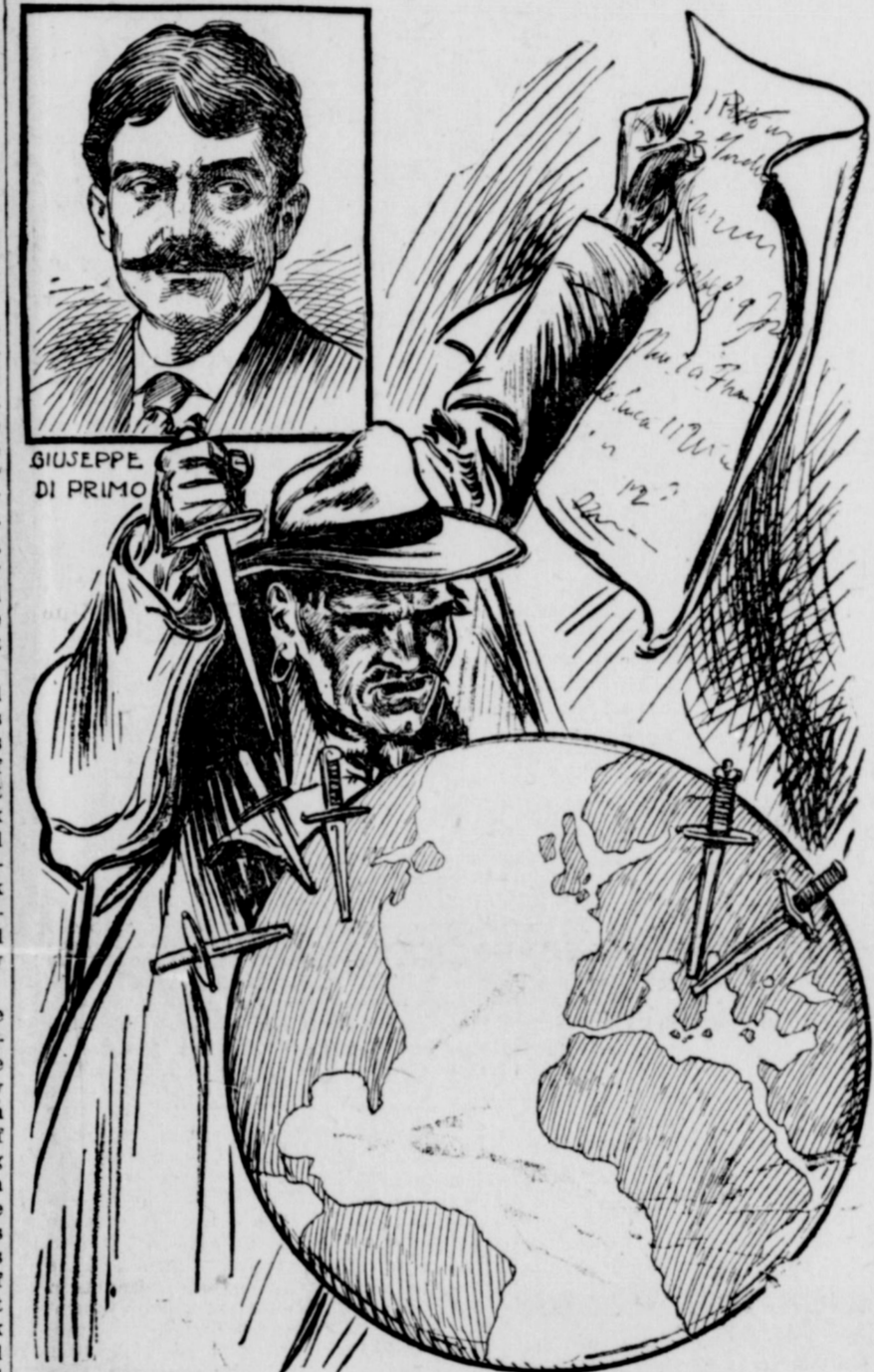
Second Man Lured to Death. Mondini and Petto were close friends and the former did the latter's letter writing. He was not in di Luca's butcher shop the night Madonia was murdered.

On November 14, 1906, just a month after Petto's death, Mondini received a message purporting to be from a friend, calling him to No. 305 East One Hundred and Sixth street. He went, but instead of his friend he met a man at sight of whom he turned to

the gang has caught more than five. However, only five are positively known now to have perished. That leaves about seven, for of the 16 who were arrested only 12 were suspected of actual participation in the murder.

Di Primo Man of Mystery. And Giuseppe di Primo, who swore the dreadful oath of the vendetta when he heard of his brother-in-law's murder, "ov'e?" as the Sicilians say—where is he? Where has he been in these last two years? He was in Buffalo last New Year's day, but his goings and comings are sudden, silent, unexplained. When he is seen his face always bears that cold, cruel, crooked smile, and the Sicilians of Mulberry street—the vast, respectable majority who mind their own business and have nothing to do with gangs or criminal secret societies—hint that on the dates of those five murders Giuseppe di Primo might have been found not many miles away from the scene of each. These men also predict that within two years every man of the gang that was suspected of the barrel murder will have been overtaken by a cold, cruel, crooked smile and a bullet or a dagger.

There are those who believe that the murder of Salvatore Marchese, or Marchioni, had some connection with that of di Luca, but it will probably be found that their terminations—one in Sicily, one in America—were simultaneous merely by chance. Both, how-



run, but a bullet dropped him before he had taken two steps.

The second of the suspects in the barrel murder case had met his fate. Ignazio Lupo, "the wolf," was the business man of the gang. His saloon in Prince street was a favorite rendezvous of the counterfeiters. He was slightly deformed and had a very cunning mind. When the trouble was all over he changed his name to De Loup and was in business in the Bronx colony uptown. About the time of di Primo's release he disappeared and no one knew where he was until one night he was found near the railroad tracks in Niagara Falls with a bullet hole in his head, and before he died in the Sisters' hospital he told Giordano Carmelo that it was the Madonia vendetta which had overtaken him.

Slain on Monte Pellegrino. Behind Palermo a grim and desolate mountain rises. It is called Monte Pellegrino, and it has seen enough bloodshed for every rock to bear a stain. The people of the city speak of a man going "the way of Pellegrino," which means with them the way of death at the hands of the Mafia. In the old city Nicola Nera was known before he came to America merely as a fruit vender who went about with a tray of melons, figs or oranges on his head. He left Palermo hastily after the disclosure in the marvelous Ricard-Gavonne murder case and joined the barrel gang here. The returning tide of Italians homeward-bound for Christmas a year ago took him back with a clean police record. He had been hauled in as a suspect merely. One night last fall he was drinking in a little wine shop, when a little emaciated man with a crooked smile came in, tapped him on the shoulder and said something in his ear. Nicola Nera began to tremble violently, but rose and followed the stranger out. The next morning his body was found on Monte Pellegrino. The fourth of the barrel murder suspects was wiped out.

L. Luca, whose murder in Sicily has just been announced, makes the fifth. It may be that some of the unidentified Sicilians who have been found in various parts of the world in the last two years bearing the signs of having been murdered were members of this gang. If so the Nevenisi that follows

ever, were of the same class of the lowest order of the Mafia, but Marchese is not known to have had any thing to do with that "barrel gang."

Motor Vehicles in Germany. At the end of 1908 there were 41,727 motor vehicles in use in Germany, including 20,923 motorcycles. In the year there was an increase of 5,705 in motor cars. Accidents numbered 5,069 (increase, 225) with 2,630 persons injured and 141 killed. Allowing for the increase in cars, there was a decrease in the proportion of accidents.

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The Shortsighted Lion—Well, I never dreamed I should finish my days behind the bars of a cage.

Beyond Expression. G. W. Farlowe, East Florence, Ala., writes: "For nearly seven years I was afflicted with a form of skin disease which caused an almost unbearable itching. I could neither work, rest nor sleep in peace. Nothing gave me permanent relief until I tried Hunt's Cure. One application relieved me; one box cured me, and though a year has passed, I have stayed cured. I am grateful beyond expression."

Hunt's Cure is a guaranteed remedy for itching diseases of the skin. Price 50c.

Women to Fight Tuberculosis. One million women, representing cities, towns, villages and isolated rural settlements in every section of the country, are to-day enlisted in a campaign against tuberculosis, according to a statement issued by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. In legislatures, in congress at Washington, in society gatherings, in churches and clubs, through speaking and writing—in every possible way, the women of the country are persistently fighting consumption.

With an organization established in every state of the country, under the direction of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and with associated clubs in Alaska, the Hawaiian Islands, Porto Rico and the canal zone, the women of the country have entered a systematic crusade to carry the message of the prevention and cure of tuberculosis into every American home.

Mutual Surprise. A mission worker in New Orleans was visiting a reformatory near that city not long ago when she observed among the inmates an old acquaintance, a negro lad long thought to be a model of integrity. "Jim!" exclaimed the mission worker. "Is it possible I find you here?" "Yassum," blithely responded the backslider. "I's charged with stealin' a barrel o' sweet potatoes." The visitor sighed. "You, Jim!" she repeated. "I am surprised!" "Yassum," said Jim. "So was I or I wouldn't be here!"

OVER THE FENCE. Neighbor Says Something.

The front yard fence is a famous council place on pleasant days. Maybe to chat with some one along the street, or for friendly gossip with next door neighbor. Sometimes it is only small talk but other times neighbor has something really good to offer.

An old resident of Baird, Texas, got some mighty good advice this way once.

He says: "Drinking coffee left me nearly dead with dyspepsia, kidney disease and bowel trouble, with constant pains in my stomach, back and side, and so weak I could scarcely walk."

"One day I was chatting with one of my neighbors about my trouble and told her I believed coffee hurt me. Neighbor said she knew lots of people to whom coffee was poison and she pleaded with me to quit it and give Postum a trial. I did not take her advice right away but tried a change of climate, which did not do me any good. Then I dropped coffee and took up Postum."

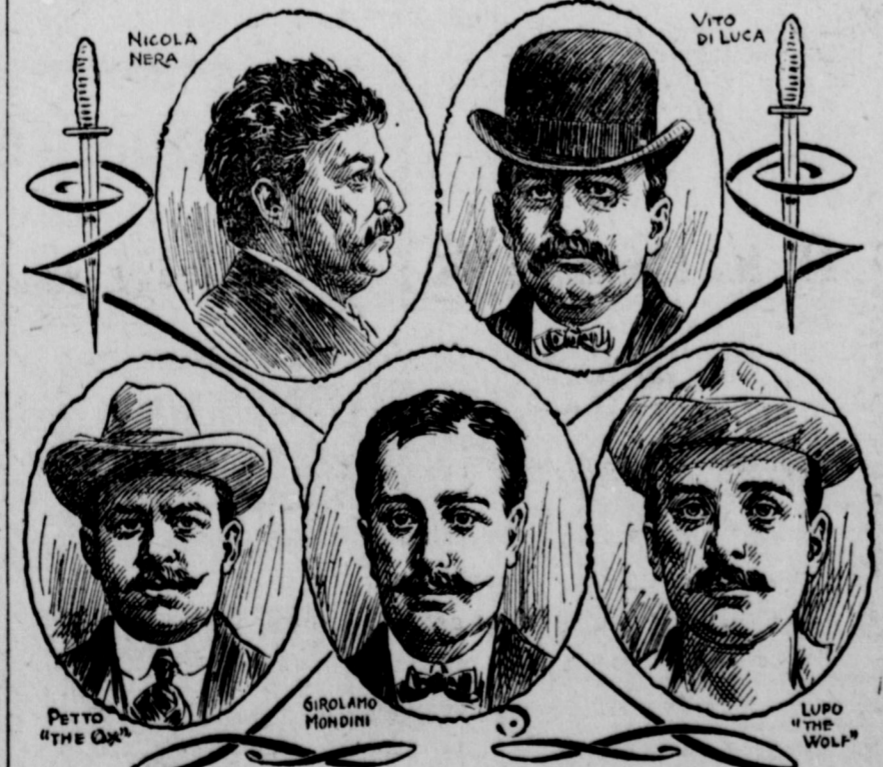
"My improvement began immediately and I got better every day I used Postum."

"My bowels became regular in two weeks, all my pains were gone. Now I am well and strong and can eat anything I want to without distress. All of this is due to my having quit coffee, and to the use of Postum regularly."

"My son who was troubled with indigestion thought that if Postum helped me so, it might help him. It did, too, and he is now well and strong again."

"We like Postum as well as we ever liked the coffee and use it altogether in my family in place of coffee and all keep well." "There's a Reason." Read "The Road to Wellville," in Pkgs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.



been on the trail of the counterfeiting gang told Inspector McCluskey, then in command of the detective bureau, all they knew, and a few hours' time a dozen squads of four powerful and heavily-armed detectives left headquarters and pounced on 16 prisoners in various parts of the city and at once rushed them to headquarters. There ensued one of the strangest scenes ever witnessed in No. 300 Mulberry street. Each squad was stripped to handle its prisoner. The gangsters

shanty near a mining settlement outside Scranton. He behaved as if he was in hiding. His neighbors spoke of his strangely-guarded actions.

One early morning he heard a voice calling his name. Somebody was coming up the hill path. He took up his heavy revolver and stepped boldly to the door. Petto raised his gun and fired. He missed. The other man sent a bullet through Petto's pistol hand, knocking the revolver out of reach, and then he planted his bul-

NEWS FROM The CAPITAL

City Census Shows Population Increase



WASHINGTON.—According to the census enumerated by the police, as footed up in the returns made to Maj. Sylvester, the total population of the District of Columbia is now 343,003, an increase of 3,600 since the police census of a year ago.

The total number of white residents is 245,861. The negro population is 97,142.

As has been the case for a number of years, females are in excess of males by 15,425. This excess decreased during the past year, as in 1908, the excess of females over males was 16,725.

The report shows the number of white people living in the first or business precinct to be 9,578; the second precinct, 26,227; the third precinct, 19,775; the fourth precinct, 20,177; the fifth precinct, 36,977; the sixth precinct, 17,329; the seventh precinct, 17,834; the eighth precinct, 26,373; the ninth precinct, 36,901, and the tenth precinct, 34,690.

The colored population in these precincts are: First precinct, 967; sec-

ond precinct, 13,949; third precinct, 13,572; fourth precinct, 13,467; fifth precinct, 12,142; sixth precinct, 4,785; seventh precinct, 5,372; eighth precinct, 18,059; ninth precinct, 8,603, and tenth precinct, 6,226; making a total white population of 245,861, and a colored population of 97,142, or a total of both white and colored of 343,003.

Since the taking of the census a year ago there has been an increase in population of 102 in the first precinct, 137 in the second precinct, 942 in the seventh precinct, 173 in the eighth precinct, 1,227 in the ninth precinct, and 4,288 in the tenth precinct; and a decrease of 531 in the third precinct, 531 in the fourth precinct, 1,795 in the fifth precinct, 412 in the sixth precinct, making a total decrease of 3,259 in these precincts as against a total increase of 6,869 in the north-west.

Maj. Sylvester attributes the decrease in population in the several precincts named to the absence of mechanics and laborers who were employed on the railroad improvements and new buildings, which have since been completed.

The population of the city of Washington proper, exclusive of alleys, is, white, 181,358; colored, 63,290. The population of the alleys in the city of Washington is, white, 1,608; colored, 13,410.

Long Ride Too Strenuous for Ethel



WHEN Mrs. Herbert Wadsworth and her group of friends, including Miss Margaret Carey of Buffalo, George Marvin, whose experiences in the Manchurian campaign fitted him for fearsome exploits, and Edward P. Smith, centered out of Washington the other afternoon on the first stretch of a 400-mile equestrian journey to "Ashantee," the magnificent country home of Mrs. Wadsworth at Avon, N. Y., Miss Ethel Roosevelt stood by with more than a wistful look in her usually laughing eyes.

Mith Ethel was slated to accompany Mrs. Wadsworth on her trip, but, fearful of the strenuousness of a fortnight in the saddle, Mrs. Roosevelt at the last moment intervened, and Miss Ethel's eager acceptance was reluctantly withdrawn.

Mrs. Wadsworth and Miss Carey are the only two members of the party

who will stick it out to the end, the men of the group coming in along the route in relays. Representative Andrew J. Peters and David Grey, the author, succeeding Mr. Marvin and Mr. Smith as escorts on the earlier stages of the journey.

Mrs. Wadsworth's trips are really journeys de luxe, for she travels with a score of grooms, a relay of mounts and wagon loads of baggage to make for the comfort of the travelers as they progress on their unique trip. Of a distinctly original and independent bent, Mrs. Wadsworth, who is one of the ultra exclusive hostesses of the capital, stood next the White House family throughout the last administration.

Long before Miss Ethel made up her mind to make her debut from the White House Mrs. Wadsworth had annexed the youngest daughter of the Roosevelts to her select coterie, and, a thorough horsewoman herself, she encouraged Miss Ethel to go in for all sorts of thrilling equestrian stunts. More than once Miss Roosevelt went over to "Ashantee," and within the privacy of the Wadsworth estate found an excellent field for her training as a hurdle jumper.

Fred Carpenter Is Amusement Mentor



FRED W. CARPENTER, secretary to the president, has accumulated another dignity, with its rewards and responsibilities. He is the official amusement mentor of the White House. President Taft is fond of the theater; so is Mrs. Taft; but a poor performance or even a mediocre one affects them just as it does other people who put up their money to see a show, and they hate to make a mistake in the matter. For the appearance of the president and his party at a theater is an event, and to leave before the curtain drops on the last act would do grave injury to the theater in question. And not to leave would do grave injury to their own sweetness of disposition. Therefore, not having a guide to things theatrical to do the work for them, Fred

Carpenter takes the place of one. With Carpenter it has become a science.

Perhaps the role of critic may detract from his own amusement, for when he visits a performance Mr. Carpenter looks at it entirely through the eyes of his chief. "How would the president enjoy this?" is his viewpoint—and from that viewpoint he rules. Fearing that he might mistake, having recommended a certain play to the president, he attends a second time, this time not to watch the play, but its effect on the president. If it is what it should be, Carpenter heaves a sigh of contentment and departs for home.

All of which makes Carpenter a man greatly courted by the theatrical managers. They send him invitations, for himself and Mrs. Carpenter. And, although there is no Mrs. Carpenter, the secretary having avoided the rocks of matrimony, these invitations are usually accepted. There is no half-way efforts on the part of the company when Carpenter attends. That's when they put themselves to their prettiest paces.

Has Served 30 Years at Senate Door



COL. JAMES F. EDWARDS a few days ago rounded out an even 30 years as doorkeeper on the Democratic side of the United States senate. The colonel went to Washington while Senator Vest was in the senate, and for years was the right-hand man of the brilliant Missourian. He is now 71 years old.

When he was sworn in as an employee of the senate, at noon, May 12, 1879, not a single senator who is a member of the present congress had entered the upper chamber. Senators Hale and Frye, the oldest members in point of service, were not elected until two years after the appointment of Col. Edwards.

In the early eighties, when Senator Vest made his famous investigation of

the beef trust, Col. Edwards was complimented on the floor of the senate by his friend for his success in serving subpoenas on the presidents of the various railroads involved in the investigation, after other senate employees had failed in their efforts to perform this task.

Senator Chauncey M. Depew, then president of the New York Central, was among those who appeared as witnesses before the senate committee as a result of Col. Edwards' perseverance and diligence.

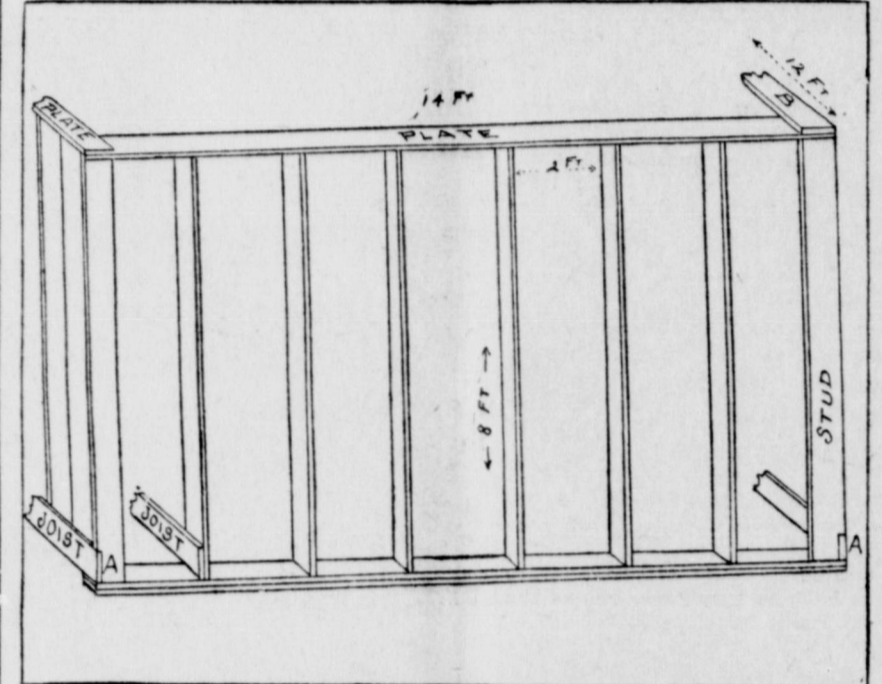
There are four other employees of the senate who are older in the service than Col. Edwards. Col. C. W. Coombs, who takes care of the interests of the Democratic members of the house in the house folding-room, has been there 32 years. He was a railroad conductor before he entered the service.

He also enjoyed the friendship of Senator Vest. Both Col. Edwards and Col. Coombs are Missourians, are as loyal to their native state as on the day when they packed their grips and started for the capital.

PORTABLE GRANARY IS HANDY ON ANY FARM

Detailed Plans for the Construction of Building to Hold Thousand Bushels of Grain that Can Be Moved.

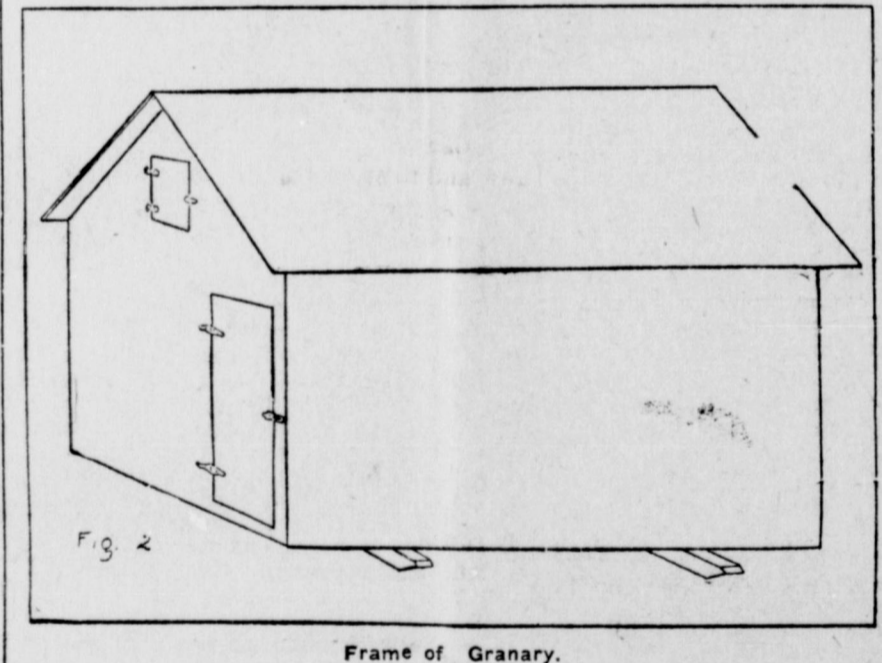
To contain a thousand bushels a granary should be 12x14 feet with 8-foot studs. The frame should be made of planks 2x6 inches fastened by 4-inch spikes. To form the side frame take three pieces 2x6 inches 14 feet long and eight pieces 8 feet long, the former for plate and sills, the latter for studs. On two of the 14-foot pieces mark off 2-foot spaces and at these places mark across with a try square the places where the studs are to be nailed to the plate and upper layer of the sill, but notice that the studs at the ends of the side frames are put flat instead of across; also that these and all the end studs have a piece cut out to allow the joists at the ends of the building to be let into the end studs. (See A, Fig. 1.) Then



be placed in such a position at each end that a small door wide enough for a man to get through can be cut between them. The elevator spout of the threshing machine can be put into whichever of these doors is more convenient to allow the machine to be set with the wind. The other rafters may now be raised and braced in position.

Now cut out six feet of one of the end studs to form a door four feet wide, and nail a piece of plank across the top of this space, to form the top of the door frame, and support the short piece of stud left above. This width of door will allow a fanning mill to be taken in to clean up seed grain, etc.

When laying the floor it is a good plan to nail pieces of board on the



under side as you go, to cover any knot holes; also nail small pieces of board on the two sides of the studs (three sides in the end studs) even with the top edge of the joist for the double purpose of supporting the floor and preventing wheat from sifting through the cracks, if you do not make a perfect fit of the flooring round the studs.

To move these granaries make two skids from timber 4x6 inches, 14 feet long with a block spiked on the back end. Round up the other end like a sleigh runner and bore a hole, into which a large clevis may be fastened. Pry up one end of granary at a time and put the skids in position underneath the granary. Hitch two horses to each clevis by a chain and by hav-

LOOK NOW TO DRY FARMING

Method of Cultivating Lands Hitherto Considered Arid.

"Dry farming, quickly defined, is the art of raising grain, fruit and vegetables on lands hitherto considered arid, and of no value except for sheep grazing," announces John F. Burns, secretary treasurer of the Dry Farming congress. "Not only the United States, but a large portion of the whole world is interested in dry farming, and at our convention at Cheyenne a few weeks ago, representatives from Canada, Mexico, Siberia, Australia and the Transvaal were interested participants. The growing population of the world demands that these hitherto neglected areas be made to produce and the area of arid lands devoted to farming will grow rapidly from year to year.

"In dry farming, a region in which less than eight inches of moisture falls is of little use, but where the rainfall or snowfall amounts to more than eight inches good crops of grain and fruit are being successfully grown at this time.

"For wheat, I would recommend plowing in the fall to a depth of at least 12 inches; then following up with the harrow in the same direction as the plow. In a few weeks another harrowing would be in order, and through the year I would harrow frequently, in order to have the soil retain all the moisture in the atmosphere that could be obtained. In the following fall I would plant red winter wheat, and when this was up a few inches I would run a harrow over it to tear out a certain proportion of the plants. Later on I would repeat the harrowing process. I have known 60 bushels of wheat to be raised in arid regions by such a process, which, of course, allows of only one crop every two years."

HE PUZZLED THE BRITISHER

Evidently Doorkeeper Had Never Heard of the Lord That American Minister Served.

Judge George F. Lawton of the Middlesex probate court told me a story the other day of an American minister who was spending his sabbatical year traveling abroad. Arriving in London, he made every effort to get an intimate view of the two branches of parliament in session. Of course no stranger is allowed on the floor of the house of lords, but the minister not knowing this, and with the usual amount of American push, tried to make his way in. There is a rule, however, that servants of the various lords may be admitted to speak to their ministers. Seeing the minister walking boldly in, the doorkeeper asked:

"What lord do you serve?"

"What lord?" repeated the astonished American, "the lord Jehovah!"

For a moment the doorkeeper hesitated and then admitted him. Turning to an assistant standing near, he said:

"He must mean one of those poor Scotch lairds."—Boston Record.

WESTON, Ocean-to-Ocean Walker,

Said recently: "When you feel down and out, feel there is no use living, just take your hat and thoughts with you and walk them off. Before you have walked a mile things will look rosier. Just try it." Have you noticed the increase in walking of late in every community? Many attribute it to the comfort which Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic powder to be shaken into the shoes, gives to the millions now using it. As Weston has said, "It has real merit." It cures tired, aching feet, while you walk. 30,000 testimonials. Order a 25c package to-day of any Druggist and be ready to forget you have feet. A trial package of ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The Captain's Repartee.

The captain of a trans-Atlantic liner, having become irritable as a result of some minor troubles in the ship's management and the unusually large number of ridiculous inquiries made by tourists, was heading for the "bridge" when a dapper young man halted him to inquire the cause of the commotion off the starboard side of the ship. Being on the port side, the captain politely replied, with some sarcasm, he was not certain, but thought it possible that a cat fish had just had kittens.—What-to-Eat.

Quite True.

Marian, a little three-year-old, is very stubborn. One day, when she was fretful, her mother, wishing to engage her mind, attracted her attention to a cow in a vacant lot and asked what it was.

Marian replied, "hoss" (horse) and stubbornly refused to give in. Her mother, wishing to get a correct answer without scolding, asked: "What eats grass besides a horse?" "More hoss," was the quick response.—Delinquent.

Continual Doubt.

"How many children have you?" said the tourist, affably.

"I dunno exactly," answered the tired-looking woman.

"You don't know?"

"Not for certain. Willie's gone fishin', Tommy's breakin' in a colt, Georgie's borrowed his father's shotgun to go hunting an' Esmeralda Ann is thinkin' of elopin'. I never know how many I've got till supper time comes, so's I can count 'em."

A Plea for Bachelors.

There are few people in the community more generous, according to their means, more unselfish, and more self-denying than the much-maligned bachelor class. Why, then, should it be taxed? If a tax is required, let it be levied on the pampered, petted, over-indulged, usually ungrateful married man.—London Daily Graphic.

Exclusive.

"Where do the Hottentots live, Mary?" a public-school teacher asked one of her pupils. "I don't know, 'm," said Mary, primly. "Ma won't let me visit any of the people in this neighborhood."—Youth's Companion.

OPERATION HER ONLY CHANCE

Was Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Adrian, Ga.—"I suffered untold misery from a female weakness and disease, and I could not stand more than a minute at a time. My doctor said an operation was the only chance I had, and I dreaded it almost as much as death. One day I was reading how other women had been cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and decided to try it. Before I had taken one bottle I was better, and now I am completely cured."—LENA V. HENRY, Route No. 3, Adrian, Ga.

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TENDER, BUT NOT LOVING.



Waiter (to customer, who had complained that his steak is not tender enough)—Not tender enough! D'you expect it to kiss you!

Logical Reasoning.

A certain young man's friends thought he was dead, but he was only in a state of coma. When, in ample time to avoid being buried, he showed signs of life, he was asked how it seemed to be dead.

"Dead?" he exclaimed. "I wasn't dead. I knew all that was going on. And I knew I wasn't dead, too, because my feet were cold and I was hungry."

"But how did that fact make you think you were still alive?" asked one of the curious.

"Well, this way: I knew that if I were in heaven I wouldn't be hungry. And if I was in the other place my feet wouldn't be cold."

Household Hint.

"Do you know how to use a chafing dish?"

"Yes," answered Mr. Sirius Barker. "I have some novel ideas on the subject."

"What are they?"

"The best way I know of to use a chafing dish is to punch a hole in the bottom of it, paint it green and plant flowers in it."—Washington Star.

Her Blue Kitchen.

"You are always talking about your lovely little blue kitchen," they said, "but we see you dining out every night. Do you never cook in it?"

"Not enough to get tired of it," she said, "and that's the reason I like it so."

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General Directory.

District Officers.
 Judge—J. W. Timmins.
 Attorney—L. B. Brightman
 Clerk—L. B. Cole.
 Court meets 4th Monday after first
 Monday in February and September.

County Officers.
 Judge—J. W. Timmins.
 Attorney—L. B. Brightman
 Clerk—L. B. Cole.
 Sheriff—Harry F. Eadie
 Treasurer—L. L. Gilmore
 Assessor—D. C. Durham
 Inspector—W. T. Conger
 Surveyor—W. F. Kellis
 Court meets first Monday in Febru-
 ary, May, August and November.

CHURCHES.

M. E. Church—Preaching every second
 and fourth Sunday at 11 a. m. and
 7:30 p. m., and fourth Sunday at 7:30 p.
 Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. every
 Sunday.
 Rev. S. J. Franks, Pastor.
 R. W. Foster, S. S. Supt.
 Baptist—Preaching every 1st, 3rd, 4th
 Sunday in each month at 11 o'clock a. m.
 and 7 p. m. Conference Saturday night
 before the 4th Sunday. Sunday school
 every Sunday at 9 o'clock p. m.
 Rev. M. L. Jansford, Pastor.
 Prof. L. C. Durham, apt.
 Presbyterian—Preaching every 3rd
 Sunday in each month at 11 o'clock a. m.
 Rev. Black, Pastor.

STERLING CORNET BAND—W. C. Fisher
 Director.

SOCIETIES.

Masonic—Sterling lodge No. 728, A.
 F. & A. M., meets Saturday nights on or
 before the full moon in each month.
 L. L. Slaton, Secretary.
 B. F. Brown, W. M.
 Eastern Star—Meets Saturday P. M.
 3 o'clock on or before the full moon
 in each month.
 Mrs. B. F. Brown, W. M.
 B. F. Brown, Secretary.

County Commissioners.
 Com'r. No. 1—M. Black.
 " " 2—A. H. Allard.
 " " 3—D. D. Davis.
 " " 4—J. L. Glass.

Justices Court.
 Court, Precinct No. 1, meets 3rd Sat-
 urday in each month. Malcolm Black, J. P.

LOCAL.

A full line of jewelry at B. F.
 Roberts'.
 Fresh potatoes and onions at
 Roberts'.
 Meals, the best in town, for
 25c at Central Hotel.
 Savell Bros. can get you to the
 train on time.
 Col. and Mrs. W. R. McEntire
 returned to Dallas this week.
 For first-class fancy groceries
 at living prices, go to Roberts'.
 W. A. Westbrook left yester-
 day for Deming, N. M., to visit
 relatives.
 A line of up-to-date gents suits
 at Roberts' going at hard time
 prices.
 Attorney Meadows, of San An-
 gelo, was here yesterday pros-
 pecting.
 Mrs. W. Y. Crain left yester-
 day for Mineral Wells to visit
 relatives.
 L. C. Dupree, of Colorado, was
 down this week looking after his
 ranch interests.
 Misses Pearl Sullivan and Eu-
 la Slaton left last Tuesday for
 San Angelo, where they attend
 the summer normal.

Meals 25c at Central Hotel.
 All kinds of iced soft drinks
 at Hooker & Gilmore's.

Ask the man who has been a
 guest at the Central Hotel where
 to stop.

R. H. Patterson represents
 "Time tried and fire tested" fire
 insurance companies.

We can give you the News-
 Record and St. Louis Semi-Week-
 ly Republic for \$1.50 cash.

A line of the finest candies
 ever seen in this town is now on
 sale at Hooker & Gilmore's

Mrs. B. B. Hackell, of Kansas
 City, is visiting her parents, Mr.
 and Mrs. W. F. Kellis.

Miss Eula Tweedle returned
 today from Brownwood, where
 had been visiting relatives.

Place your property insured in
 an "Old Line" company—the
 kind that insures. Ask "Bert"
 about it.

As a result of the fish fry yester-
 day, Dr. Carver spent some
 time angling in Prof. Durham's
 throat for fish bones.

Misses Lona Lyles, May Glass
 and Vera Kellis came in Wed-
 nesday from Belton, where they
 have been at Baylor College.

Rep. R. H. Patterson for live-
 stock insurance. He represents
 the oldest company of the kind in
 the world.

FOR SALE OR TRADE:—One
 good, second hand, 3 inch Stude-
 baker wagon, and a new single
 buggy. 21 FISHBROS

Our people celebrated Jeffers-
 on Davis' birthday yesterday by
 having a picnic and fish fry in
 G. W. Allard's pasture on the
 river.

The following notaries qual-
 ified here Monday: R. H. Pat-
 terson, Emette Westbrook, J. S.
 Cole, Jeff D. Ayres and W. F.
 Kellis.

Andy Jones, the veteran cow-
 man of Sterling Creek, reports
 the loss of only one cow during
 the drought, and that was by ac-
 cident.

Quite a crowd of youngsters
 gathered at the home of Mr. and
 Mrs. J. E. Thompson last Tues-
 day evening and spent several
 pleasant hours in social games.

J. W. Schooler, who resides
 in the southwestern part of the
 county, reports that no rain has
 yet fallen in his part of the coun-
 ty. It seems that a considerable
 scope of country is still dry.

Clerk Cole has decorated the
 clerk's office with pictures of
 the famous Confederate generals.
 A certain patriotic little lady of
 this town contributed a beautiful
 silk Confederate flag, with which
 these pictures are draped.

List of letters remaining in the
 postoffice at Sterling City for the
 month ending May 31:
 Buck Sutton
 C. E. Dunningan
 Tom Barisden
 Hallie Knight, P. M.

GRAND MA'S TEA is a most pleasant
 vegetable laxative. Cures Constipation,
 Purifies the Blood, Cures Sick Headache
 and Biliousness. It will quickly remove
 pimples, beautifying the complexion and
 giving the skin the freshness of youth.

Commissioner J. S. Johnston,
 assisted by County Surveyor W.
 F. Kellis, will begin the survey-
 ing and staking out the new Col-
 orado road tomorrow. Mr. John-
 ston's action in the matter of
 good roads and other needed im-
 provements is meeting the ap-
 proval of his neighbors and
 many friends.

The attention of our readers is
 called to the advertisement in
 this issue of the Robinson Seed
 & Plant Company, Dallas, Texas,
 said to be the oldest seed house
 in the Southwest, and who will
 send their new 1909 Catalog to
 all who write for it describing
 the best seeds and plants for the
 Southern Grower.

GRAHAM & SMITH

Real Estate And Livestock Agents
 Any one wishing to sell their property will do well to
 list with our new hustling real estate firm. Exchange of
 property a specialty. Office north side of square.

G. POYNOR W. V. CHURCHILL A. A. RUTHERFORD

STERLING REALTY CO.,
 COMMISSION DEALERS IN

**RANCHES, CATTLE STOCK FARMS AND
 STERLING CITY PROPERTY.**
 OFFICE IN CENTRAL HOTEL STERLING CITY, TEXAS

Ride in Savell's cars. Good
 service, police employees and fast
 time.

All persons are hereby notified
 that my pasture is posted accord-
 ing to law. Any person or per-
 sons who shall hunt, fish, cut or
 haul wood or otherwise trespass
 on lands owned or controlled by
 me, without my consent, will be
 prosecuted. 4-2-9 W. J. MANN

Savell's automobile passenger
 service is as prompt and reliable
 as the ordinary railroad train.
 Their arrivals and departures
 can always be depended upon.
 they make the trip to San An-
 gelo in from two to three hours.

My big chain—please it bring
 home; and my first volume of
 Brann, and my Rubaiyat of Omar
 and my March and April num-
 bers of Watson's Magazine. If
 not through with the other things
 I loaned you, don't hurry, but I
 need these.

R. B. Cummins.

CLUBBING OFFER

The Dallas Semi-Weekly Farm News
 makes a specialty of
OKLAHOMA
 news. Outside of this, it is unquestion-
 ably the best semi-weekly publication in
 the world. It gives news from all over the
 world, but particularly an unsurpassed
NEWS SERVICE
 of the great Southwest in general. Spe-
 cially live and useful features are the
FARMERS FORUM, a page for the little
MEN AND WOMEN, **THE WOMAN'S CEN-**
TURY. And particular attention is given
 to Market Reports. **YOU CAN GET**
 The Semi-Weekly Farm News in con-
 nection with the NEWS-RECORD for
 only \$2. a year cash for both papers
 —save time NOW and get the local
 news and the news of the world at re-
 markably small cost.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY

The Twice-a-Week Republic Now for
 50 Cents Per Year.

The Twice a Week Republic, of St.
 Louis has reduced its subscription price
 from \$1 per year to 50 cents. This is
 one of the oldest and best semi-weekly
 news papers published in the United
 States, and at the price of 50 cents per
 year no one can afford to be without it.
 For 50 cents you receive two big eight
 page papers every week, 104 copies a
 year, at less than one-half cent per copy.
 Your friends and neighbors will surely
 take advantage of this opportunity.
 Don't fail to tell them all about it.
 Send all orders to the Republic, St.
 Louis, Mo.

NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Notice is hereby given that the
 Commissioners Court of Sterling
 County will, on the second
 Monday in June, sit as a Board
 of Equalization to inspect, cor-
 rect, equalize and approve the as-
 sessment lists of the Tax Asses-
 sor.

Given by order of the Court.
 Leonce B. Cole, Clerk
 County Court, Sterling
 County, Texas.

LOST.—On or about the 12 of
 May, a bunch of 30 common grade
 goats, 16 grown ones and the rest
 are young ones. The older ones
 are marked crop the left ear, the
 younger nanites are marked an
 derbit in left ear and the younger
 males are marked underbit in
 right ear. One black nanite.
 Any information leading to their
 recovery will be rewarded.
 Phone or write Oscar Atkinson
 4t Sterling City, Texas.

For Sale:—One disc harrow,
 \$82.50. One double row corn,
 cotton and cane planter, \$22.50
 Address J. A. Anglin,
 Sterling City, Texas.

Wanted:—To let contract to
 grub 50 acres of land on the riv-
 er. Apply by phoning or writ-
 ing. Geo. H. McEntire,
 Sterling City, Texas.

For sale:—Two young full
 blood Brown Leghorn roosters,
 at 50c each. Call at this office.

FOR SALE—230 bred ewes, 5's
 and up, \$2.50. 350 coming year-
 lings, \$3.00. 70 lambs, 30 days
 old, 50c. Will take one-third
 in good young horse stock, or
 700 ngmules.

M. D. Sutherland,
 Sales, Texas.

For Sale:—5 spans of coming
 3-year-old males, average 15
 hands and promise 16 hands when
 grown. Well matched. Price,
 \$250 per span.
 W. R. Davis,
 Sterling City, Tex.

For Sale:—A lot of laying hens
 at 50c each. Call at this office.

BULLS FOR SALE

I have ten or twelve, coming
 two's, high grade Herford bulls
 for sale. Phone or write,
 R. W. Foster,
 Sterling City, Tex

FOR SALE

A Canton disc plow, good as
 new and in splendid running or-
 der. A bargain for \$35. Will
 take trade. 4pd
 H. E. RAY

LOST:—Dec. 4 on Colorado
 road between Sterling City and
 the springs a gold watch, size 16
 with Elgin works. "A M S" cut
 in back of case. On return of
 watch, finder will receive a suit-
 able reward. T. S. Foster,
 Sterling City, Tex



W. H. Edleman, Pres., A. V. Patterson, Vice-Pres., Emette Westbrook, Cashier
 Clearing Smith

FIRST STATE BANK
 OF STERLING CITY, TEXAS.
 SUBJECT TO GOVERNMENT INSPECTION
 CAPITAL, \$10,000.
 We will appreciate your business.
 Accommodations cheerfully extended.

NOTICE
 My big Maltese jack,
 "Jube" will stand this
 season at the Pope place
 five miles northwest of
 town.
 Price, \$7.50 per season; \$10.00
 insurance.
J. L. ALLEN

ABSTRACTS
 After several years of tedious
 work and great expense, I have
 compiled a complete abstract of
 title to every tract of land and
 town lot in Sterling County.
 Parties wishing abstracts made
 to hand can obtain them on short
 notice by applying to me at my
 office in the court house, or by
 writing or phoning me at Ster-
 ling City.
 J. S. Cole, Abstracter

**SAN ANGELO & STERLING CITY
 STAGE AND AUTO LINE.**
 WILL AND TOM SAVELL, PROPRIETOR. PHONE 509, SAN ANGELO
 Auto will leave San Angelo at 7 o'clock every Tuesday,
 Thursday and Saturday morning, and go through to Big
 Springs, stopping regularly at Hughes, Water Valley, Sterling
 and Kouchasset.
 Team line will leave San Angelo at 7 o'clock every Monday,
 Wednesday and Friday morning bound for Sterling City.
 All express left at Doran Hotel

Dr. C. R. CARVER.
 General Practitioner with Surgery
 and Chronic diseases a specialty.
 Calls promptly answered day
 or night. Office first door north of
 Fisher Bros. Drugstore. Phone 48.
 STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

TRESPASS NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that any
 person who shall hunt, fish, cut
 or haul wood, or otherwise tress-
 pass on any of the lands owned
 or controlled by me will be pro-
 secuted by the full extent of the
 law.
 4-5-07
 A. E. JONES

JERRY D. AYRES,
 LAWYER AND
 NOTARY PUBLIC.
 STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

POSTED.
 Our pasture is posted and all
 persons are hereby put upon
 legal notice that any one who
 shall hunt, cut or haul wood or
 otherwise trespass upon any of
 the lands owned or controlled
 by us will be prosecuted to the
 full extent of the law.
 10-26-'01 Fisher Bros.

LOWE & DURHAM
 Dealers in

 Coffins and Caskets
 Garry in stock fine, complete
 line of Undertaker's Goods.

Notice to Hunters.—Posted.
 My pasture is posted accord-
 ing to the law made and provided
 in such cases and all persons are
 hereby warned and forbidden to
 hunt, fish, or otherwise trespass
 upon any of the enclosed lands
 owned or controlled by me, under
 pain of prosecution to the full
 extent of the law. J. T. Davis
 5-8-'02

The Pansorial Barber
H. H. Hooker, Prop.
 HAIR CUTTING AND SHAVING
 IN MOST APPROVED STYLE

NOTICE—KEEP OUT.
 Notice is hereby given that any
 person who shall hunt, fish, cut
 or haul wood or otherwise tress-
 pass on any of the lands owned
 or controlled by me will be pro-
 secuted by the full extent of the
 law.
 G. W. Allard.

TRESPASS NOTICE.
 Any person hauling wood, fish-
 ng, hunting or in any way tress-
 passing on any lands owned or
 controlled by me, will be prose-
 cuted.
 R. W. Foster

Posted.
 I have posted my pasture accord-
 ing to the laws made and provided in such
 cases, and all persons are hereby warned
 and put upon notice that any person
 who shall hunt, cut and haul wood or
 otherwise trespass upon any enclosed
 land owned or controlled by me, will be
 prosecuted to the full extent of the law
 J. S. Johnson.

Notice to Trespassers
 Notice is hereby given, that any person,
 or persons who shall hunt, fish, cut
 or haul wood, work or drive stock, or
 otherwise trespass upon any land own-
 ed or controlled by us, or either of u
 without our permission, will be pro-
 secuted to the full extent of the law.
 Those driving stock down lane
 must keep in the lane until across Beal's
 creek.
 W. R. Feiker
 By J. D. Lane, mgr.

TRESPASS NOTICE
 Any person hauling wood, fish-
 ing, hunting, or in any way tress-
 passing on any lands owned or
 controlled by us, will be Prose-
 cuted.
 W. R. McENTIRE & SON

NOTICE
 Any person hauling wood, fish-
 ing, hunting, or in any way tress-
 passing on any lands owned or
 controlled by me, will be prose-
 cuted.
 W. L. Foster.

NOTICE
 All persons having any interest
 in house known as the "Hillside
 School House" in my pasture
 southeast of my ranch on Sterling
 Creek will present their claims to
 me at an early date, as I intend to
 move said building away soon.
 W. L. Foster

CHICKENS IN SLUMS

Many Foreigners in Chicago's Ghetto Raise Their Poultry.

Many Recent Immigrants Turn Their Attention to This Means of Increasing Their Slender Incomes and Providing Food.

Chicago slums as great, big chicken farms! This has not yet come to pass, but it will if the raising of "spring chickens" which is now carried on in many of the bystreets and alleys of Chicago's Europe keeps up its present pace.

On the outskirts of the Ghetto, in the Polish districts on the northwest side, back of the yards, in short, wherever immigrants who stand on the lowest scale of industry live, thousands of chickens are being raised. Many a family in these districts may live in two basement rooms only—it may have no room for its children to play in, but it has a little bit of space, a two-by-four coop, wherein chickens are kept.

Some of these coops are a sort of subdivision of the wood and coal shed which each tenant usually gets. Where no woodshed is allotted to the tenant a big dry goods box is rapidly turned into a chicken coop. And if there is not even space for the dry goods box, a small barrel affords a comfortable home for two or three of the fowls.

Those who are more fortunate in their woodshed space keep not two or three but a dozen or more chickens and about as many pigeons.

The raising of chickens with some of the immigrants is a business matter. They think they can raise them much more cheaply than they can buy them from the butcher. The eggs which the chickens lay are sold at a premium in the neighborhood to invalids or convalescents. The woman who has fresh eggs for sale soon becomes known in the neighborhood and not only makes a little money this way but she gains a sort of prestige. She is considered a sort of a half doctor, for she knows of all kinds of illnesses and a remedy for each of them.

Others raise chickens not because they are after profits, but because they cannot endure to waste things. Thus many peasant immigrants in Chicago who were accustomed to the strictest economy in the old country consider the garbage man and the garbage pail a sort of a symbol of American extravagance. They cannot think of throwing away crumbs of



Feeding Their Chickens.

bread. So they raise chickens and feed them on these crumbs.

But back of these petty commercial reasons for raising chickens there is still another—a sentimental, sympathetic reason. It is the pitiable attempt at having a touch of country life, the life which these people have led prior to their coming to Chicago, in the heart of their crowded quarters. Some of these immigrants, especially the older ones, like the grandmothers of the family, cannot reconcile themselves to American surroundings and city life. The grandmother dreams of the country and the life "on the land," which she led in her youth. And the sight of a few chickens affords an excellent background for her dream life.

"Many of the old women here," said an Americanized foreigner in the neighborhood of Canal and De Koven streets, where many of the Slav residents make all kinds of efforts to raise chickens, "are never so happy as when they feed their chickens or busy themselves with protecting them from the rain or snow. Their minds are never so active, their imaginations never so vivid as then. They live entirely in their memories, and it is then that you can most easily get them to talk about their past and the simple and poor but quiet and contented life that they led on the plains of Lithuania or on the shores of the Niemen."

"And when you stop to think about it you can hardly blame them for this weakness. Chickens have been and are part of every peasant household in Europe. A peasant may be too poor to own a cow or a pig, but he always has a dozen or so chickens. Many of the immigrants here went to bed with the chickens and got up with the first crowing of the roosters, as they still do in most of the peasant villages in the old world. The rooster, too, served the peasants for centuries to mark the time of the day or night long before they ever saw or heard of such a thing as a clock.

PASSING OF COWBOY

Modern Methods Sound Knell of Picturesque Character.

Dashing Swashbuckler, with His Leggings, His Swaggering Sombrero, Revolvers and Lariat Is Vanishing from Western Plains.

Loved of all the nation as an institution particularly American and worshiped by the small boy, the day of the cowboy is passing.

The dashing swashbuckler, with his leggings, his swaggering sombrero, his belt, revolvers and lariat will soon be no more, he is vanishing from the plains, a victim of the coming of a more modern way of doing things.

The knell of the cowboy's passing existence is sounded in the decision to



Shooting Up a Town.

abandon the reunion of cowpunchers, for many years an annual event in Texas.

This used to be held at Seymour, Texas. It was an event to which the whole southwest looked forward, and cowboys from half a dozen states made long trips in the saddle in order to be on hand for this reunion. It had been planned to hold it as usual this spring, but those who had it in charge found so little interest that they started an investigation to find out what had become of all the cowboys.

Their discoveries were depressing from the standpoint of the small boy, who in dime novels and pictures has worshiped the deeds of the sharp-shooting, broncho busting, fearless men of the plains.

So widely has the cowboy been scattered by changed conditions that, like Othello, he could truthfully say that his occupation is gone. Not more than a few hundred cowboys could by any possibility have been brought to Seymour, and as this would have been as far short of a true reunion as a swallow is from composing a summer, it was reluctantly decided to have no conclave, and this means likely that the old picturesque institution has passed for all time.

Yet it has not been so long since that a reunion was held that was a remarkable success.

Seymour, now the center of cultivated and agricultural section, was a dozen years ago given over to grazing. In 1897 it was the scene of the largest gathering of cowboys ever seen in this country.

The men from ranches in Texas, Indian Territory and Oklahoma rode to the gathering and more than 20,000 cowboys and 500 Indians rallied to the camp, and pitched their tents in Seymour. The influx of the settlers to the Panhandle and the ranch territory of western Texas had at that time just begun, and the advance of the farmer, who was destined to take the soil from the cattle grazer, was yet in the future.

On the second night of the reunion Seymour saw the remarkable spectacle of 20,000 cowboys riding back into town, at breakneck speed, each man with his six-shooter out, and firing into the air.

The bombardment lasted for more than an hour, and the spitting of the flashes and the detonation of the shots made a most thrilling effect.

So great a success was the whole affair that it was resolved to make it an annual event and it looked as though the spirit of the western life had been saved by getting the comrades together once more.

Real estate operators found that a lot of the land used for grazing could under proper conditions be turned into the most fertile farm land and yield a far greater profit.

The life of Texas underwent a change. The farmer began to take the place of the cattleman, and even where the latter managed to maintain his way, he began to apply new methods to the care of his herds.

The automobile began to be seen in the west. At first the cowboy laughed. What could the motor car do to push him out of his calling. It couldn't tame a broncho. It couldn't shoot, and certainly was unable to throw a lariat.

But the auto got over the road fast. It could make a round of the ranch at far greater speed. And it wasn't like a horse. It never tired out, and an automobile of fair size could take around, four men who could do the work of a dozen under the primitive conditions of the west.

CRIPPLED WITH SCIATICA

Caused by Disordered Action of the Kidneys.



Samuel D. Ingraham, 2402 E. Main St., Lewiston, Idaho, says: "For two years I was crippled with sciatic rheumatism in my thighs and could not get about without crutches. The kidney secretions became irregular, painful, and showed a heavy sediment. Doctors were not helping me so I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills. I improved soon, and after a while was, entirely free from my suffering. I am in the best of health now and am in debt to Doan's Kidney Pills for saving my life."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

A JUSTIFIABLE EXPRESSION.



Inexperienced Caddie (after Mr. Toozle's fifteenth miss)—"Shall I make the 'ole a big bigger, sir?"

TORE HIS SKIN OFF

In Shreds—Itching Was Intense—Sleep Was Often Impossible.

Cured by Cuticura in Three Weeks.

"At first an eruption of small pustules commenced on my hands. These spread later to other parts of my body, and the itching at times was intense, so much so that I literally tore the skin off in shreds in seeking relief. The awful itching interfered with my work considerably, and also kept me awake nights. I tried several doctors and used a number of different ointments and lotions but received practically no benefit. Finally I settled down to the use of Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment and Cuticura Pills, with the result that in a few days all itching had ceased and in about three weeks' time all traces of my eruption had disappeared. I have had no trouble of this kind since. H. A. Krustroff, 5714 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., November 18 and 28, 1907."

Foster Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

Iron Ore Fields in Finland.

Though Finland has been regarded up to the present time as being extremely poor in iron ores, recent research has proved the existence of ore fields in South Finland (Nyland), and above all in the Ladoga lake district, which seem to be worth the expense of mining. For research purposes a company has been formed.

Rough on Rats, unbeatable exterminator
Rough on Hen Lice, Nest Powder, 25c.
Rough on Bedbugs, Powder or Liquid, 25c.
Rough on Fleas, Powder or Liquid, 25c.
Rough on Roaches, Pow'd, 15c. Liq'd, 25c.
Rough on Moth and Ants, Powder, 25c.
Rough on Squeeters, agreeable to use, 25c.
E. S. Wells, Chemist, Jersey City, N. J.

Good to Remember.

Physical defects can be turned into incentives to success instead of drawbacks, what we look upon as handicaps in the end may prove spurs to enable us to reach the goal of desire, if we know but how to use them. We make our own happiness, we carve our own success.—Exchange.

No Others

It is in a class by itself. It has no rivals. It cures where others merely relieve. For aches, pains, stiff joints, cuts, burns, bites, etc., it is the quickest and surest remedy ever devised. We mean Hunt's Lightning Oil. 50c and 25c bottles.

Athleticism Extraordinary.

"Why," said the first athletic boaster, "every morning before breakfast I get a bucket and pull up 90 gallons from the well." "That's nothing," retorted the other. "I get a boat every morning and pull up the river."—Universalist Leader.

The King of blood purifiers is Dr. Simmon's Sarsaparilla. It rids the system of the winter's accumulation of impurities. It makes the young feel well—the old young. Now is the time to renovate yourself. Simmon's Sarsaparilla cannot be excelled. Price 50c and \$1.00.

For a Round Sum.

"How did Smith get on with that new apartment house he built?" "It is a flat failure."

For Colds and Gripp—Capudine.

The best remedy for Gripp and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

A girl never likes to admit she was kissed unless she wasn't.

Smokers find Lewis' Single Binder 5c cigar better quality than most 10c cigars.

Love may be blind, but alimony is an eye opener.

Never Fails

There is one remedy, and only one I have ever found, to cure without fail such troubles in my family as Eczema, Ringworm, and all others of itching character. That remedy is Hunt's Cure. We always use it and it never fails. W. M. CHRISTIAN, Rutherford, Tenn.

Men Can Care for Themselves.
A coal company in the Hocking valley, O., employs both men and mules. One mule costs \$200, and in point of work equals six men. The company has this order standing on its books, "When the roof gets weak, take out the mules."—Vancouver Mining Exchange.

Red, Weak, Watery, Watery Eyes
Relieved by Marine Eye Remedy. Compounded by Experienced Physicians. Conforms to Pure Food and Drug Laws. Marine Doesn't Smart; Soothes Eye Pain, Try Marine in Your Eyes. At Drug Stores.

Magnetism.
First Dancer—She's a very attractive girl.
Second Sufferer—Yes, her father was a big steel magnate.

For Headache Try Hicks' Capudine.
Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudine. It's Liquid—pleasant to take—Effects immediately. 10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

Succinct.

Justice O'Halloran—Have you any children, Mrs. Kelly?
Mrs. Kelly—I hov two living an' wan married!—Judy.

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