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BLIZZARD IS RAGING

IOWA, KANSAS AND MISSOURI IN
THE GRASP OF A SNOW
STORM.

FLOOD WARNING ISSUED

Government Weather Bureau Fore-
casts Storm That Will Raise
Waters of the Ohio.

By Associated Press.
St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 18.—The worst
snow storm in several years is raging
here today. Railroad and street car
traffic is interrupted.

Blizzards in Kansas, Missouri and Iowa
By Associated Press.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 18.—With the
temperature slightly below the freezing
point, a heavy wet snow is falling
throughout Western Missouri today.
At Lincoln, Neb., the railway and
street car traffic is demoralized as the
result of the heavy snow.

Wichita, Kansas, reports a 30-mile
an hour wind, accompanied by snow,
raging in that part of the State.

At Burlington, Iowa, the worst snow
of the season is falling.

Des Moines reports a blizzard in that
part of the State, delaying street car
traffic and interfering with telegraph
and telephone communication. In Omaha
the snow is drifted from four to six
feet deep in many places, delaying
traffic, with trains from one to eight
hours late.

Warnings Sent Out.

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Feb. 18.—The
weather bureau today issued warn-
ing of a storm that may accentuate
the flood conditions in the Ohio valley
and make another rise of the
waters there by no means improbable.
The bureau will issue further notice,
probably tonight, as soon as the
amount of rain to be expected from the
storm can be estimated.

Snow Storm in Chicago.

By Associated Press.
Chicago, Ill., Feb. 18.—One of the
heaviest snow storms of the winter
commenced here early today. The
snow fell in blinding sheets and was
piled in drifts by a thirty-mile gale.
Street car and elevated railroad traf-
fic and telephone service was badly in-
terrupted later in the day.

The Olney Coal Mines.

T. R. T. Orth, superintendent and
manager for the Wichita Falls and
Southern, left this morning for Olney.
The rails for the completion of the
road into Olney have not yet arrived
but are expected daily. When the
rails come, it will only be a question
of a few days until the track will be
laid right into the coming coal center
of Texas.

Mr. Orth says that considerable coal
has already been hauled from the coal
mines to the present end of the rail-
road tracks and is ready for shipment
to this city. Several shafts have been
sunk into the coal beds south of Ol-
ney and coal is now being brought to
the surface. The deepest shaft is
about 108 feet, and the coal vein at
that depth is over four feet thick. The
vein lies beneath a rock strata, which
furnishes a good roof for mining oper-
ations.

KILLED BRIDE, THEN SELF.

Marriage Has Unhappy Ending for Col-
orado Springs Couple.

By Associated Press.
Denver, Colo., Feb. 18.—Oscar Kir-
by, the son of a Colorado Springs gro-
cer, shot his bride of two months early
today and killed himself with the same
weapon. The couple have lived apart
since the first week after their mar-
riage.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our heartfelt
thanks to all those who aided us in the
sickness and death of our darling baby.
Their kind words of sympathy and
kind deeds will ever be dear to us in
this, our greatest loss.

MR. and MRS. W. A. SOULE.

MISTRIAL IN SNELL CASE.

Jury Out Forty-Six Hours Without
Reaching an Agreement.

Clinton, Ill., Feb. 17.—The jury in
the \$2,000,000 will suit, after being out
forty-six hours, was this afternoon dis-
charged without agreeing on a ver-
dict. The jury stood eight for break-
ing the will and four against. The
case cannot be heard again before the
May term of court.

The suit to break the will of Col-
onel Thomas Snell was brought by the
aged and eccentric millionaire's son,
Richard Snell, president of the Clinton
bank. It has been rife with sensations,
chief of which were the "Snell letters,"
written by old women and young wo-
men to the old man who was willing
to pay lavishly for being loved and
told so in affectionately worded
epistles in which appears for money
mingled with expressions of endear-
ment. Among the letters were some
from the wife of a clergyman who not
only expressed her love, but told Snell
that her daughter, 16 years of age,
would love him if he would send her
money. Letters from the girl herself,
bearing out the promises of the moth-
er, were introduced at the trial of the
suit to break the will.

When Colonel Snell died in May,
1907, he left an estate valued at \$2,000,
000. To his son, Richard, he left only
an annuity of \$50 per year. To a
grand niece, Mabel Snell McNarama,
he left property valued at \$25,000 and
an annuity of \$1,000 per year.

The rest of his property he left in
trust, the interest to be added to the
principal until twenty years after his
death, to his youngest grandchild, then
but 5 years old. Richard Snell sought
to break the will, alleging that his
father was insane about women.

The last ballot stood eight for the
contestant to four for the prosecutor.
When the jury was called into court
this morning by Judge Cochran, the
foreman announced that there was lit-
tle possibility of agreement. On being
asked by the judge whether a question
of law or fact stood in the way of an
agreement, foreman Pennington re-
plied that he believed it was a fact.

"Then I can do nothing for you,"
said the judge and forthwith the jury
went back to the jury room.

The jury had been out since Satur-
day evening.

TWO AUTOMOBILES IN A COLLISION

A collision between two automo-
biles at the corner of Seventh street
and Indiana avenue, adjacent to Tre-
vathan & Bland's grocery, at about
6:30 o'clock last evening caused con-
siderable excitement and resulted in
some damage to one of the two auto-
mobiles. One of the machines was
driven by Bennett Reed and the other
by Billy Keys.

Young Reed was driving south on
Indiana avenue and turned east on
Seventh street, making the turn in a
wide circle to the right to avoid some
wagons and at the same time avoid
Mr. Keys' machine, which was coming
west on Seventh street.

Mr. Keys either did not see Reed's
machine on account of the wagons or
thought that the latter was turning
to the left. In any event Keys turned
his machine to the left, running its
front into the rear of Reed's machine.
The latter being the heavier machine,
it took off the front left wheel of Keys'
automobile and damaged it otherwise.
Neither of the autoists were injured.

STAMFORD UNION DEPOT.

Keeler and Sterley Go to Confer With
Texas Central Officials.

D. B. Keeler, vice president of the
Fort Worth and Denver, and W. F.
Sterley, general freight agent of the
same line, went to Stamford on the
Wichita Valley yesterday to meet the
officials of the Texas Central and to
hold a conference in regard to the pro-
posed Union depot. This conference
is called for the purpose of completing
a number of details that were left over
from the meeting of thirty days ago.—
Fort Worth Record.

KATY TRAIN WRECK

SEVERAL BOX CARS, BAGGAGE
AND DAY COACHES WENT IN
THE DITCH.

NO SERIOUS INJURES

Track Was Torn Up for a Hundred
Yards and Traffic is Delayed.

Special to the Times.
Gainesville, Tex., Feb. 18.—A mixed
train on the Missouri, Kansas and
Texas was wrecked this morning at
Woodbine. Several box cars full of
merchandise and a baggage car and
passenger coach went into the ditch.
A hundred yards of track was torn up.
Several passengers escaped with slight
injuries.

So far as can be learned no passen-
gers from this city were injured and
the report of the wreck received at the
local Katy depot says that none of
the passengers were injured seriously
enough to make a report.

The train is marked three hours and
a half late and at the hour of going
to press had not reached this city.

Woodbine is a small town and is the
first station this side of Whitesboro.

WICHITA FALLS IS GOOD ENOUGH FOR HIM.

"Financial conditions seem much
better in Wichita Falls than in St.
Louis and Chicago," said Frank Col-
lier, who returned last night from a
trip to the two cities named to pur-
chase goods for the spring and sum-
mer trade.

"While the newspapers state that
confidence has returned and business
has been resumed on a normal basis,"
continued Mr. Collier, "there is a feel-
ing of uneasiness there as to the out-
come that furnishes a marked contrast
to the feeling of confidence here, and
I am glad that I am in business in
Wichita Falls instead of Chicago or St.
Louis. I believe that if we have a
good wheat crop, as is now promised,
that this section will have one of the
most prosperous seasons ever known.
Even if the wheat crop doesn't come
up to present expectations, I'd rather
be here than in the North and East,
where there is less confidence in the
outlook."

Today's Live Stock Market.

Special to the Times.
Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 18.—The to-
tal cattle receipts today were 1,650
head. The market was steady to
strong.

Beef Steers—Receipts, 500, mostly
meal feds. The market was active and
steady at \$3.85@4.50.

Butcher Cows—Receipts, 750. Quality
fair to choice. Market active and
higher at \$2.25@3.50.

Calves—Receipts light. Quality fair.
Market active and higher at \$2.85@
\$5.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 1,700. Quality was
choice. Market active and higher at
\$3.00@4.52½.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Her Son Also Fatally Injured and Six
Buildings Burned.

Johnstown, Pa., Feb. 18.—Mrs. Ed-
ward Lutzenburg was burned to death
and her son, Joseph, probably fatally
injured today in a fire which for a
time seriously threatened the town of
Barnesboro, near here. The fire start-
ed in the Lutzenburg home and before
it was extinguished it had destroyed
two stores, two dwellings and the
Globe hotel. The loss is about fifty
thousand dollars.

WORD FROM THE FLEET.

Wireless Message Received at Lima
Says Fleet is 380 Miles From Callao.

By Associated Press.
Lima, Peru, Feb. 18.—A wireless dis-
patch has just been received here from
the fleet of American battleships un-
der command of Rear Admiral Evans,
dated Tuesday at 9:40 a. m. The dis-
patch says that the vessels at that
hour were three hundred and eighty
miles from Callao.

FIGHT FATAL DUEL.

Jealous Italians Settle Accounts Over
Love Affair With Dirks.

By Associated Press.
New York, Feb. 18.—John Scitender
is dead and Rossi Morani is in a hospi-
tal here dying as the result of an eni-
mity which began in Italy fifteen years
ago. At that time both men were suit-
ors for the hand of the same girl.
Morani married her and Scitender
threatened that he would kill him if
he had to follow him around the world.
Last night the two men met on a
street in Brooklyn for the first time
since the threat was made. The two
men clashed in a mortal duel with
dirks and a few seconds later Sciten-
der was found dead on the pavement
and Morani was picked up with fatal
wounds.

Go to Delivery Window.

Postmaster Bacon respectfully re-
quests persons who have been getting
their mail in the boxes of other people
to call at the general delivery window
for their mail during the next three or
four days.

Mr. Bacon makes this request be-
cause Cupid has interfered with ar-
rangements at the postoffice and has
made a new clerk necessary at the
general delivery window, in the place
of Miss Tott Curry, who was married
this morning to Mr. A. E. Myles.

Of course, Mr. Bacon will try to be
as obliging as he always has, but in
order to avoid confusion he advises all
who have heretofore received their
mail in the boxes of others to call at
the delivery window until the new
clerk becomes familiarized with the
work.

RELEASED ON BOND.

C. W. Morse, New York Banker, Pleads
Not Guilty to Perjury Charge.

By Associated Press.
New York, Feb. 18.—Charles W.
Morse, the former banker and steam-
ship company president and promoter,
who yesterday was indicted on a
charge of perjury, today entered a plea
of not guilty to the charge and was re-
leased on a bond of \$10,000. The per-
jury indictment grew out of the loan
of fifty thousand dollars to R. Thomas,
concerning which Mr. Morse was called
before the grand jury as a witness.

UNCLE JOE ENDORSED IN ILLINOIS

By Associated Press.
Springfield, Ill., Feb. 18.—The repub-
lican State central committee today
adopted a resolution endorsing Joseph
G. Cannon for the presidency and fix-
ing the date for holding the State con-
vention in this city on March 26th.

ASSASSINATION RUMOR FALSE.

No Attempt Was Made to Kill King Al-
phonso, as Was Reported.

By Associated Press.
Madrid, Spain, Feb. 18.—There is
no truth in the report current in Paris
last night that King Alphonso had
been assassinated.

The rumor is probably the out-
growth of a bomb explosion in Barcelo-
na yesterday, which now appears to
have been the work of anarchists. In
addition to killing one woman and
dangerously wounding a child, the ex-
plosion caused damage to several
buildings. The precise object of the
outrage has not been made clear.

ONLY ONE DEAD.

Miners Entombed at Pottsville Res-
cued Early This Morning.

By Associated Press.
Pottsville, Pa., Feb. 18.—All but one
of the miners who were entombed yester-
day in the Mid Valley colliery, were
rescued early this morning. One of
the miners was killed following the
accident which entombed the men and
two were injured. The others appear-
ed none the worse for their experience.

A coffee proposition. Take a dollar
can of our Richelleu brand home with
you. Use it and if not entirely satis-
factory, we will refund your money.
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FREED FROM STIGMA

POLLY HALL'S FATHER SPENDS
FORTUNE IN PROVING GIRL
OF WHITE BLOOD.

SUED A SCHOOL BOARD

Jury Returned Verdict for the Girl,
Ending Famous Oklahoma Liti-
gation.

Muskogee, Okla., Feb. 17.—Through
the action of the district court at Ok-
mulgee, Polly Hall, daughter of Wesley
Hall, has been proved innocent of any
taint of negro blood and a fine of \$1
and costs has been assessed against
the school board of Sonora district be-
cause they caused Polly to be expell-
ed from school on account of a charge
that she had negro blood. Not in the
history of the State has there been a
case of similar interest, except that of
the Arnolds, of the Choctaw nation,
who spent thousands of dollars and
swept three States for witnesses to
prove that they were Indians and not
of negro blood.

Wesley Hall is a respectable farmer
and lived in the Sonora district near
Okmulgee. He had been there for a
number of years. He is very dark in
complexion and so is his daughter
Polly. But during their residence in
Okmulgee county they have always as-
sociated with white people, Polly has
attended the white school and been re-
ceived at all the neighborhood func-
tions and is a charming girl.

When the Jim Crow law passed the
State legislature the question of negro
and white blood was sharply drawn in
many places throughout the State, par-
ticularly in cases where there was a
question whether a dark skin denoted
negro or Indian blood. The Indian
takes rank with a white person every-
where, but if there is drop of negro
blood in the veins of an Indian, the
ban falls upon him. The Halls claim
no Indian blood and therefore suspi-
cion fell upon them, and the question
of the blood of Polly Hall became the
burning issue under discussion in So-
nora district. Acting under stinging
criticism the members of the school
board sent a note to the teacher of the
school calling attention to the fact
that it was reported in the neighbor-
hood that the Halls were of negro ex-
traction and that Polly Hall must not
attend the school any more. She was
notified not to come.

The stinging disgrace of this action
was so keen that Mr. Hall stated that
they could no longer live in that sec-
tion and they moved to another local-
ity and brought suit in the name of
Polly Hall for \$5,000 damages against
the Sonora school board. The case
came to trial in the district court at
Okmulgee, and after a trial that stirred
the whole county, a verdict was finally
rendered which gave to Polly Hall a
verdict against the school board, but
the damages assessed was \$1, and
costs. This was perfectly satisfactory
to the Halls, as it was not the money
they were after, but a vindication of
the charge that they had negro blood.

The trial was an expensive one for
Hall and is said that he has spent
practically every cent he had in get-
ting evidence in the case. It was
proved beyond question that Polly Hall
is of Portuguese-Dutch extraction, and
that the dark skin of the girl comes
from a proud Castilian strain instead
of from any touch of negro blood. To
make this proof complete it was nec-
essary to produce witnesses and depo-
sitions from people who knew both
branches of the Hall family for gen-
erations and in order to establish beyond
doubt that Hall himself is a Portuguese
it was necessary to secure testimony
and records from Portugal, a matter
which involved representatives of two
nations in Lisbon.

Quite a number of our citizens on
Tenth street are complaining about
their neighbors allowing their stock to
run at large. The city has a stock
law and the Times suggests that the
officers should see that this law is
strictly enforced.

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ABOUT NEW RAILROAD

RIGHT OF WAY TO CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO, ALREADY PURCHASED.

PRACTICALLY FINANCED

Big Capitalists Behind the Project and Construction Work is Expected to Begin Soon.

Concerning the report that a railroad is to be built from Fort Worth to the Pacific coast via Carlsbad, New Mexico, and Denver, Colorado, the Fort Worth Telegram says:

Persistent rumors about this railroad have developed frequently in railroad circles during the last few years, though none has ever been affirmed or denied by the railroad men who are back of the plan.

According to the Telegram's informant, who has been for a year and is now connected with the project, the interests which will build the road have already purchased right of way from a point twenty miles west of Fort Worth to Carlsbad. He says that this land has been bought up at a small price and that the road now owns a strip of land averaging one mile wide and reaching from near Weatherford to Carlsbad. The entire property consists of practically five million acres, which has been bought at \$2 to \$10 an acre and which will more than double in value with the building of a road.

The financiers have figured that by buying this land they will make more money for the road when the land increases in price than they would save by asking right of way donations.

Southern Terminus Here.
Starting at Fort Worth as the southern terminus, the road will run west, veering a little south so as to run several miles south of Weatherford and from that point the line will run in practically a straight line to Carlsbad without a curve and with an imperceptible grade.

Among the towns it will pass thru are Breckenridge, Albany, Anson, Gail, Roby, Snyder and Lamesa. At Albany the road will cross the Texas Central and at Anson the Wichita Valley. At Snyder, which is now without a railroad, there will probably soon be two roads, as it is understood that the Texas and Pacific will build a spur from Colorado City or some other nearby point to Snyder and north to Post City. C. W. Post, it is said, is interested in this railroad project and had assurance of the construction of the road before he began his city building in West Texas.

Moffet Heads Enterprise.
At the head of this big railroad enterprise is D. J. Moffet, a well known Denver railroad man. Kooontz banking concern is also interested, while such well known railroad builders as Yoakum and Gould are said to be back of the plan, as their interests are protected and helped by the construction of the road.

At Fort Worth the Texas and Pacific terminal facilities will be used and because of the Gould interests the road will not cut in on any of the Texas and Pacific territory. It is because of this that the new road will not enter Weatherford, although that town is directly in the line of its proposed route. E. H. R. Green, owner of the Texas Central, is also interested.

The gulf connections at Fort Worth will be the Houston and Texas Central and the Chicago connection will be the Rock Island-Frisco lines, the two roads forming a route from Chicago to San Francisco by way of Fort Worth, Carlsbad and Denver, which will compete with the Santa Fe.

Carlsbad to Denver.
The construction of the line from Fort Worth to Carlsbad will, it is said, be followed by a road from Carlsbad to Denver and thence connecting links will be made to the Pacific coast, the entire system to be known as the Denver, Northwestern and Pacific.

Despite the small cost of construction because of the imperceptible grade along the line the road will cost about \$100,000,000, and all of the money has been subscribed. The right of way having been bought, the next step will be the incorporation of the road.

The Texas name has not been chosen, but incorporation in Texas will probably be effected in a short time and at the same time incorporation papers will be filed in Denver, where the general offices will be located. Texas offices will be in Fort Worth.

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PRISONER IN VAULT.

Cashier Locked Up While Robbers Loot Safes.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 16.—While one masked robber held up the cashier in true Wild West style, his two companions looted the vault of the bank at Granite Falls, N. C., early last night. They secured all the cash in the institution, \$2,700, forced the cashier to enter the vault and, after locking him in, made their escape.

The robbery, which was one of the boldest in the criminal annals of the State, was not discovered until this morning. When Cashier W. G. Whisnant did not appear for breakfast his family instituted a search. On entering the bank a feeble tapping was heard in the vault and when it was opened the missing cashier staggered out, more dead than alive from his fifteen hours of close confinement.

According to the cashier's story, three strange men wearing masks entered the bank at 6 o'clock Saturday evening and while one of them held him up at the point of a pistol the other two, notwithstanding the fact that pedestrians were passing the door, proceeded to help themselves to the bank's cash. The work was done quietly and rapidly. When seen that they had appropriated all the available cash the lone robber forced Whisnant to enter the vault and locked him in.

Whisnant declared that he made all the noise possible in his cramped quarters, but his disappearance was not noticed until this morning.

The bank's capital is only \$10,000 and its loss is embarrassing, though neighboring banks have offered aid.

Granite Falls is a mill village of several hundred inhabitants located in an inaccessible portion of Caldwell county. The authorities throughout this section of the State have been notified, but the robbers left no clue, and, having fifteen hours' start, their capture seems a remote possibility.

Why pay 25c or 30c for a 1 1/2-lb can of pineapple when we will sell you a 2 1/2-lb can of our Richelleu brand for 35c? It's worth the price. Try it.

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Mr. Homer V. Smithson has accepted a position as traveling salesman with the Crescent Candy Company.

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Misses Alice and Helen Andrews entertained several of their little friends at their home on Burnett avenue Saturday afternoon. After some time spent in playing games light refreshments were served. At each plate was placed a Cupid bearing the name of the child. These were attached by a ribbon to favors to be drawn from a Jack Horner pie. The favors consisted of celluloid and china dolls and doll

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TESTING HIS TONGUE.

The Unhappy Experience of a Young Married Woman.

A young married woman in Brooklyn suspected that her husband was indulging in wine. She determined, however, to say nothing till she had confirmed her suspicions. In conversation with her bosom friend she said she would give anything to discover the truth. The friend mentioned that a man even slightly intoxicated cannot pronounce words of length. This gave the young wife an idea, which she proceeded to put into execution.

When the young women met again, the suspicious wife announced that the worst had been ascertained. She burst into tears and took from her hand bag a paper, which she handed to her friend.

"I gave him this," she sobbed. The friend read from the list the following words: "Philoprogenitiveness, disproportionableness, pseudocastheia, phthisis, parochronism, hypochondriasis, photochromy, syncategorematic." "And," added the unhappy wife, with a fresh sob, "the wretch missed nearly all of them!"—New York Tribune.

In a French Chateau in Winter.

It is not all bliss to be invited to a French chateau in midwinter, no matter how distinguished the host or how romantic and artistic the domicile. At least it isn't for the steam-heated Bostonian, lapped in the luxury of summer warmth. A visitor to a distractingly lovely abode near Fontainebleau says he put in twenty-four hours of physical anguish there and simply came away wondering how his hosts endured the arctic temperature of the rooms. "If I meant to live in foreign lands," says this shivering person, "I would go through the chilling process which inures human flesh and blood in France. What do these people do to render the blood in their veins to course like fire and act like an eternal furnace?" That's a question Americans abroad might well like to have answered.—Boston Herald.

Heat of the Sun.

It has been computed that the temperature of the surface of the sun would be expressed by 18,600 degrees of Fahrenheit's thermometer, or between eighty and ninety times the temperature of boiling water. This is about five times the highest temperature that man is able to produce by artificial means. The light given off from the surface of the sun is reckoned as being 5,300 times more intense than that of the molten metal in a Bessemer converter, though that is of an almost blinding brilliancy. If we compare it with oxyhydrogen flame, the sun sheds a light equal to 140 times the intensity of the limelight.

"IF YOU ARE A LEMON, TRY NOT TO ACT."

Put your hammer in the locker,
Hide your sounding board likewise;
Anyone can be a knocker,
Anyone can criticize.

Cultivate a manner winning,
Though it hurts your face to smile,
And seems awkward in beginning—
Be a booster for awhile.

Let the blacksmith do the pounding,
That's the way he draws his pay;
You don't get a cent for pounding
Saint and sinner, night and day.

Just for solid satisfaction,
Drop a kind word in the slot,
And I'll warrant you get action,
For your effort on the spot.

Kindness every time beats kicking,
Mirth is better than a frown;
Do not waste your time in picking
Flaws with brothers who are down.

And if it isn't too distressing,
You give just a little boost
To the man the fates are pressing,
When chicks come home to roost.

Yes, the old world would be better
If you'd kindle friendship's flame,
And thus make the trouble lighter,
For the man against the game.

Send your grouch on a vacation,
Give your grumbling tones the shake
And with grim determination,
"Throw your hammer in the lake."
—Unknown.

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WOMAN SHOT BY ENRAGED MAN.

Refused to Leave Her Husband and is Attacked.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 17.—Because Mrs. Lillian Lewis refused to marry him, defied his threats and drew a hat pin as a weapon of self defense, she was shot and probably fatally wounded early today by George Barber. While the injured woman staggered to the stairs leading from the flat where the shooting took place and sought to return to the home of her husband, the would-be murderer waved his revolver, threatened to kill anybody who interfered with his flight and dashed out into the street. He was chased and captured, however, by a policeman.

The shooting took place in a flat at 3002 State street.

Mrs. Lewis lives with her husband at 380 Thirtieth street. She is 30 years old.

Barber formerly boarded at the Lewis house, but was accused by Lewis of being too friendly with the hostess and was ordered to leave. He complied and got a room at the home of Mrs. Sadie Giles, where the shooting occurred. He continued his attentions to Mrs. Lewis, however, and she finally went to his boarding place for a final talk with him.

Barber pleaded with her to leave her husband and marry him.

"You know I can't," Mrs. Lewis was heard to say.

Barber then threatened Mrs. Lewis and advanced toward her as if to execute his threat. She poised her hat pin menacingly and then Barber fired twice.

Although both bullets penetrated her breast, Mrs. Lewis staggered forward and tried to descend the stairs to the street, but fell on the landing. Other occupants of the building, rushed out of their doors, but Barber frightened them back until he could escape. After he had departed Mrs. Lewis was picked up and taken to a doctor's office, where her injuries were dressed. She was conveyed to her home.

Tails and Their Uses.

A cat never actually wags its tail. Why should it when it can purr? But, nevertheless, it seems to serve the same purpose in permitting a temporary expenditure of excess of nervous energy when the animal is under great strain. For instance, when carefully stalking a bird or a man, as in the case of a kitten or a lion, the tip of the tail is never still for a moment—ever curling and uncurling. We may compare this to the nervous tapping of the foot or fingers in a man. When an angry lion is roaring his loudest, his tail will frequently lash from side to side, giving rise among the ancients to the belief that he scourged his body with a hook or thorn which grew from the end of the tail.

When a jaguar walks along a slender bough, or a house cat perambulates the top of a board fence, we perceive another important function of the tail—that of an aid in balancing. As a tight rope performer swings his pole, so the feline shifts its tail to preserve the center of gravity.

The tail of a sheep seems to be of little use to its owner, although in the breed which is found in Asia Minor and on the tablelands of Tartary this organ functions as a storehouse of fat, and sometimes reaches a weight of fifty pounds. When viewed from behind the animal seems all tail, and when this appendage reaches its full size it is either fastened between two sticks which drag on the ground, or it is suspended on two small wheels.—Outing Magazine.

The supporters of Senator Looney seem to have about reached the conclusion that he will be unable to defeat Davidson for attorney general. It looks as if the Hunt county man will be sidetracked with a dark horse, whose identity has not been disclosed, to be put on the track in his stead. Monta Moore of Milan county, whose chief claim to fame is his two weeks' race for governor two years ago, is being mentioned as a possibility and Col. Dick Wynne of Tarrant county is also mentioned. In fact, as an avowed candidate, Col. Wynne is a hard runner, but he has never run hard enough or fast enough to get out of the "also-ran" class and it is probable that these two do not make up the list of possibilities completely by any means. In fact, Davidson's strength seems to have his opponents guessing and they seem to have a hard time "guessing" altogether who will be the strongest man to oppose him.—Denton Record-Chronicle.

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OUR GREAT LACE, EMBROIDERY AND MUSLIN UNDERWEAR SALE has been a grand success. We have sold by far more in this big sale than any we have held since we have been in business, and we attribute it to the good values we are giving, so in order to give a great many of our friends and customers, that only receive their pay on the 15th and 18th of each month, a chance to get these extra values at these prices we have decided to continue THIS BIG SALE 6 MORE DAYS

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For County Judge:
M. F. YEAGER.

A DUTY WELL PERFORMED.

As much as the temporary interference with the great work of the Agricultural and Mechanical college is to be regretted, there can be no criticism of the action of the board of directors. They performed a manifest duty intelligently and courageously, and the people of Texas, with few exceptions, will commend them for it. While their decision had apparently left the college without students for a time, they have in reality saved the institution. Any other course would have destroyed its usefulness. No student body of a State institution can properly submit an ultimatum to the governing authorities, and if such ultimatum should be submitted, it can be treated only one way. Looking at the charges which were preferred against the president by the

student body. It is amazing that 600 young men, scores of whom must necessarily be highly endowed intellectually and all of whom are no doubt of good moral fiber, should upon such flimsy complaints ask the removal of the head of the institution. It is almost impossible, looking at these charges, to find a reasonable motive for the course of the student body.

It is not conceivable that the antipathy of the president was shared by all the students. It seems rather that the discontent was worked up by a few leaders and that the body of students weakly followed their own welfare and the welfare of the school would have dictated the opposite course.

Let no one think for a moment, however that the college has been seriously damaged or that its usefulness has been permanently impaired. On the contrary, it has demonstrated in a crisis that it is just the kind of institution the State believed it to be. There are thousands of boys in Texas who need the training of the college and there will be others to step in and fill all vacancies. The work of the college will go on just as though nothing has happened.

While, therefore, there is every reason to regret that such a trouble should have arisen, there is not the slightest reason to regret the action of the directors. It will all work out for the best in good time.—Houston Post.

Those who believe that children residing in the country districts should receive the same school advantages as children residing in towns or cities will support heartily the amendment to the State constitution which gives to country school districts the privilege of voting an extra tax upon property within its jurisdiction for educational purposes. If the amendment carries, it will be optional with the school districts as to whether they vote this tax upon themselves. The election on this amendment will be held in every county of the State on the first Tuesday in August of this year.

Since the first day of January, 1908, in the neighborhood of fifty residences have been constructed, or are now under construction in Wichita Falls. This is an increase over the months of January and February of last year of more than 50 per cent. Statistics show that thirty-five of the principal cities of the United States show a decrease in building during the month of January, 1908, as compared with the same month in 1907, of 38 per cent.

Virgil McKnight, one of the seven Democratic representatives of Kentucky who are opposing Governor Beckham's election, died at his home at Frankfort yesterday after an illness of twenty-four hours. An election for his successor is to be held in Mason county tomorrow, and Beckham's supporters say the man chosen will be a Beckham supporter, which will place him one vote nearer to election.

About the best test that will be furnished this year of the strength of the Bailey and anti-Bailey forces of the State will be the vote for the attorney generalship. Davidson is after the office for a third term and is an anti-Bailey man. Hon. Richard Wynne of Fort Worth, who is an admirer and close personal and political friend of Senator Bailey, will oppose Davidson. The campaign, doubtless, will be a warm one, and the verdict of the people, while it will not exactly be accurate, will at least give some idea as to the strength of the two factions of the Democratic party of the State.

The A. and M. Colelge affair is gradually adjusting itself. Up to noon yesterday fifty-six of the students who went out on the strike returned to the school and took upon themselves a pledge to support the constituted authorities of the institution, and out of a total of seventy-five replies to telegrams which were sent to the parents of the striking boys, only two or three say their sons will not return.

The weather continues very propitious for farm work, and much land is already broken for cotton, corn, oats and other spring crops. The acreage for cotton and corn promises to be greater in this section than it was last season, when the largest ever known in the history of the Wichita country was planted in these crops on account of the wheat and oat fields being devastated by the green bugs.

February 22nd is George Washington's birthday. It is also Arbor Day. Doubtless the day will be properly observed in Wichita Falls.

QUAKER REFLECTIONS.

The milliner may be pardoned for talking through her hat.

After all, it seems to be pretty hard work to live without it.

It is just as well to be born lucky as rich, but the majority of us are born neither.

The Bible teaches us that there were false prophets long before the weather bureau was established.

Some people have an idea that they can't be sincere without saying disagreeable things to their friends.

Unfortunately the photographer is not the only person who considers himself privileged to air his views.

It's a poor rule that won't work both ways. The monkey may have been the ancestor of man, and many a man makes a monkey of himself.—Philadelphia Record.

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69c For Ladies' Drawers, sold everywhere at \$1.00.			8c Buys a pair of Men's Sox, sold everywhere at two for 25c.
89c For Ladies' Gowns, worth \$1.25.			15c Gets a Man's Tie that is worth 25c.
25c For Boys' Waists that would be cheap in any store in Texas at 50c.			13c For Suspenders worth 25 cents.
5c For a towel worth 15c per pair.			\$1.19 Buys a Man's Fancy Vest, worth \$2.50.
25c Buys Fay Hose; former price, 40 cents.			25c Buys a Man's Shirt, worth 50 cents.
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Shakespeare's Last Illness.

According to a tradition handed down by Ward, the vicar of Stratford, Shakespeare's last illness was a fever brought on by a "merry meeting" with Drayton and Ben Jonson. Another authority, Halliwell-Phillips, says that the great poet died of typhoid, caused by the filth and bad drainage about New Place. Like nearly everything else about Shakespeare, the question of the character of his last illness can be answered only conjecturally.

At the Wind's Mercy.

"Scroggins is always boasting about his new balloon."
"That's all it's good for."
"What's all it's good for?"
"To blow about."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Use For Them All.

"You have three pairs of glasses, professor."
"Yes; I use one to read with, one to see at a distance and the third to find the other two."

There is nothing worse for mortals than a vagabond life.—Homer.

Despair.

"What do you want of the editor?" asked the office boy, blocking up the doorway.

"I have a manuscript poem," said the long haired caller, "which I wish to submit for his inspection."

The office boy closed the door, but reappeared a moment later.

"Nothin' doin'." We ain't printin' no poetry, now," he said, slamming the door in the caller's face.

"Bard out!" exclaimed the poet, tearing his hair.

"Chestnut!" yelled the boy over the partition. "I've heard that 'um before."—Chicago Tribune.

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The following story of the first public excursion to Niagara Falls was written at the time by an eyewitness:

"The schooner Michigan was the largest vessel on Lake Erie at that time. She was too large, in fact, to enter the various harbors on the lake and, being somewhat decayed in her upper, the owner, Major Frazer, got the idea that she would answer the purpose of testing the fate of a vessel that by accident might approach too near the cataract and also the fate of living things that might be caught in the rapids. The proprietors of the large public houses at the falls on both sides of the river and of stages and steamboats made up a purse to purchase the schooner, aware that they would be amply repaid by the spectators that the exhibition would attract.

"For several days previous to Sept. 6, 1828, the day for which the affair was fixed, which was Saturday, the stages and canalboats came to Buffalo crowded with people. On the night of Sept. 5 wagons filled with country people rattled through the village in unbroken procession all night long, and on the morning of Sept. 6 Buffalo itself seemed to be moving in one mass toward the point of attraction. Five steamboats had been advertised to leave Buffalo Saturday morning. They were the Henry Clay, William Penn, Pioneer, Niagara and Chippewa. The Chippewa was appointed to tow the schooner Michigan to the Niagara river. I was a passenger on her.

"As soon as we got well under way the scene became interesting. The other four steamers came plowing along in our wake, crowded to the guards with passengers and bands of music playing. The Chippewa towed the big schooner to Yale's landing, on the Canada side of the Niagara river, where our passengers went ashore, as did those of the William Penn. The passengers of the Henry Clay and Pioneer landed on the American side. Yale's Landing was three miles above the falls, and the crowds of people were taken from there on down the river in wagons of all kinds. The hour fixed for towing the Michigan from Yale's Landing to the rapids was 3 in the afternoon.

"This task, an extremely hazardous one, was entrusted to the oldest sailor on the lake, Captain Rough. With a yawl boat and five sturdy oarsmen the old captain got the schooner under way. They towed her to within a quarter of a mile of the first rapids and within half a mile of the tremendous precipice itself—as near as they dared approach. They cut the big vessel adrift, and she passed majestically on, while the oarsmen of the yawl had to bend their every nerve and muscle to remove themselves from the peril of being drawn down by the rushing waters. Indeed, such had been the fear and apprehension of the men that they mutinied against Captain Rough and cut the towline before the time he had set. If they had obeyed the reckless old captain, he, the yawl and its crew would have preceded the Michigan over the falls.

"The high grounds on both shores of the river were lined with people as the Michigan, unguided by human agency, approached, head on, the first rapid of the seething descent, apparently keeping the very course that a skillful navigator would have guided her in. The American ensign streamed from her bowsprit and the British Jack floated at her stern. The vessel shot the first rapid unhurt, still head on, making a plunge, shipping a sea and rising from it in beautiful style. In her descent of the second rapid, the water momentarily increasing in velocity and tumult, her towering masts went by the board, giving the spectators a startling representation of the crashing of a vessel's spars in a shipwreck at sea. She swung around and presented her broadside to the dashing and foaming water, and, after remaining, as it seemed, stationary for a moment, swung around until she was headed upstream.

"Passing the third rapid she bilged, but carried her hull to all appearances whole as she tossed and groaned between Grass Island and the British shore to the Horseshoe fall, over which she was drawn sternforemost and hurled into the thundering abyss. She was dashed to fragments before she struck in the seething waters below. Immediately after she went over hundreds of people hurried below the falls. The river was covered with fragments of the vessel. Nowhere could be found as much as two boards nailed together, and her great timbers were broken into bits like firewood.

"There were aboard the Michigan

when she started on her trip toward the falls a wild bull buffalo from a western prairie, two bears from the Lake Superior regions, two foxes, a raccoon, a dog, a cat and four geese. When the vessel left Yale's landing in tow all these were let loose on the deck except the buffalo. He was inclosed in a pen. The two bears got enough of the trip when the vessel began the descent of the first rapid, and they climbed down the side next the Canada shore, plunged into the swift water, breasted its powerful sweep successfully and reached the shore. They were

so exhausted when they got on land that they made no resistance to being captured. The bears, before they abandoned the ship, climbed the masts of the vessel and, as it was presumed, from that outlook saw what their fish would be anyhow and then determined to take the chances of getting to land, slim as they were. The raccoon ran up a mast and remained there until the mast fell. He was never seen again. The foxes ran frantically up and down the deck and went over with the schooner, as did the buffalo bull and the geese. Not a trace of foxes or buffalo was ever found. Two of the geese swam ashore half a mile below the falls. The other two met the fate of the buffalo and the foxes."

HIT HIM IN TWO PLACES.

The Way Cicero Treated His Devoted Admirer Petrarch.

In the early autumn of 1358 Petrarch suffered an accident which may be narrated in his own words. "You shall hear," he writes to a friend, "what a trick Cicero, the man whom I have loved and worshiped from my boyhood, has just played me. I possess a huge volume of his letters, which I wrote out some time ago with my own hand because there was no original manuscript accessible to the copyists. Ill health hindered me, but my great love of Cicero and delight in the letters and eagerness to possess them prevailed against my bodily weakness and the laboriousness of the work. This is the book which you have seen leaning against the doorpost at the entry to my library. One day while going into the room thinking about something else, as I often do, I happened inadvertently to catch the book in the fringe of my gown. In its fall it struck me lightly on the left leg a little above the heel. 'What! My Cicero,' quoth I, bantering him, 'pray what are you hitting me for?' He said nothing, but next day as I came again the same way he hit me again, and again I laughed at him and set him up in his place. Why make a long story? Over and over again I went on suffering the same hurt, and, thinking he might be cross at having to stand on the ground, I put him up a shelf higher, but not till after the repeated blows on the same spot had broken the skin and a far from despicable sore had resulted. I despised it, though, reckoning the cause of my accident of much more weight than the accident itself. At last, when the pain was too much not only for my wit, but for sleep and rest, so that to neglect the thing any longer seemed not courage, but madness, I was forced to call in the doctors, who have now for some days been fussing over this really ridiculous wound, not without great pain and some danger to the wounded limb, as they insist, though I think you know just what reliance I place on their prognostications either of good or evil. So this is how my beloved Cicero has treated me. He long ago struck my heart, and now he has struck my leg."—From H. C. Hollway-Calthorpe's "Petrarch."

GUIDEPOSTS IN FRANCE.

A. Striking Feature of the Roads Throughout the Country.

A feature of the roads of France is the ever present guidepost. These guideposts consist of an iron plaque about two feet long and a foot high securely mounted on sturdy posts or fastened to some substantial wall. They are painted in white and blue and show without any possibility of mistake not only the commune or township in which they stand, but the next important place in either direction as well as the distances between all the chief points upon that route. Thus you will find if you are traveling on a road which leads to Paris that the name of the metropolis will appear on the signboard, although it may be several hundred kilometers distant.

In addition to these guideposts the Touring Club of France has put on the chief roads a series of signs and symbols to indicate to motorists and bicyclists what sort of a road they are approaching. The sign "ralentir," which translated into good United States means to "let up," has caused many a motorist who is unfamiliar with the road he is traveling to slow down and to find shortly after the sign had been passed that it was well that he paid attention to it because of a steep grade or some abrupt turn. There is no excuse, in view of the symbols and signboards, for any one motoring in France to get on the wrong road or to come unexpectedly into trouble.—Frank Presbrey in Outing Magazine.

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PAINTER AND SCULPTOR DEAD.

H. A. McArdle Passes Away at 72 Years of Age in San Antonio.

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 16.—H. A. McArdle, aged 72 years, the leading painter and sculptor in the South, died tonight at his home, 417 South Pinto Street. He was known throughout the country for his works, and in the majority of his pictures he found his inspiration in the struggle of Texas for independence.

His most famous pictures are "Dawn at the Alamo," and "The Battle of San Jacinto." They are hanging in the Senate chamber at the State capital at Austin.

He was a native of Ireland, but had resided in Texas forty years. Upon his arrival in the United States he resided for a time in Baltimore and graduated at the Peabody Institute in that city. Immediately after the civil war he came to Texas.

Five children survive him—W. A. McArdle, F. H. McArdle, R. M. McArdle, R. W. McArdle, and Miss Mamie McArdle.

Strawberries are Profitable.

Several new strawberry farms will begin to produce the luscious red berries for which the Wichita country, especially that portion under irrigation, is famous, this season.

A well known citizen declared this morning to a Times man that 300 acres in strawberries given the proper attention would return almost as much money as all the other crops in Wichita county combined.

Whether this statement is literally true, the fact remains that conditions here are almost ideal for the production of strawberries and the crop has brought highly profitable returns to those who have been engaged in the business.

When you have tried all the rest, then try the Best. That is us. Crescent Candy Company. 239-31

Colonel Wynne a Candidate.

In 1906 Fort Worth had two candidates for State office, one for Governor and the other for railroad commissioner, and Col. R. M. Wynne has given the Panther City a local interest in the 1908 campaign by announcing his race for the attorney generalship against the present incumbent, R. V. Davidson.

East and North Texas claim Colonel Wynne, although he was born in Haywood county, Tennessee. The same year his father moved to Rusk county, where he grew up. He enlisted in the civil war when 17 years old. Repeatedly wounded in many engagements, this war experience culminated in capture at the battle of Nashville. He was not released from the federal prison until eight months after Lee's surrender.

Then he went to work in Henderson county, farming. He read law and studied, generally with his wife as a tutor. Finally he was admitted to the Henderson county bar and became a partner of J. H. Jones. In 1880 he was elected to the State senate and served two sessions. He was one of the five members who framed the bill establishing the University of Texas.

In 1882 he ran for attorney general and was defeated by J. D. Templeton. Soon afterwards he moved to Fort Worth; where he has since lived. In the fall of 1897 he announced his candidacy for governor, and was defeated in a three-cornered race with the now ex-Governor Sayers and M. M. Crane.

Since then he has not been a candidate for office, but has frequently spoken in the interests of his friends. He is known as one of W. J. Bryan's friends in Texas, and has supported Mr. Bryan continuously from the first.

Colonel Wynne has not yet announced the issues on which he will make his race. His reputation as a fighter, his well known eloquence and his large number of friends throughout the State insure the injection of considerably more interest into the attorney generalship race, occasioned by Mr. Davidson's announcement to ignore democratic precedent and endeavor to secure a third term.—Fort Worth Telegram.

A Historic Settlement.

The first purely American settlement west of the Mississippi river, was Cape Girardeau, Mo. Its settler, however, was Ensign Girardot, a French trader, for some time an officer in the French army, who located on the rock mountain promontory just north of the present town. From Girardot the county was named. The first permanent settler at Cape Girardeau was Louis Lorimer, a French Canadian who, in 1872, came from the Miami valley, west of the Mississippi. His wife was a half-breed Shawnee woman, and through her great influence with the Shawnees he was given a large grant of land in 1795 by the governor of the territory. Shortly thereafter the Spanish government, deeming it wise to populate upper Louisiana offered free lands exempted from taxation of settlers. Because these settlers came from Virginia, Kentucky, and North Carolina, almost entirely Cape Girardeau claimed the honor of being the first American settlement. Previous settlements had been largely Spanish or French. Lorimer was counted as the father of the town which dates in organization from 1806. He died in 1812, having survived his Indian wife four years. He was buried by her side in Cape Girardeau on a tree-crowned hill overlooking the western Mississippi.—Kansas City Star.

McNeeley is Safe and Well.

W. B. McNeeley, a member of the local carpenters' union, returned last night from Fort Worth. On his return he stopped at Denison to get his union card, which was found on a man arrested last week for representing himself as a federal officer on an M. K. & T. passenger train and attempting to blackmail a drummer, who was one of the passengers on the train.

Mr. McNeeley said the fellow evidently picked up the card from a show case in a Fort Worth restaurant, where it had dropped from his purse while playing for a meal.

The report of the arrest of the man and the fact that he carried McNeeley's card caused some fear among his friends here that the latter had met with foul play and upon learning that the man arrested carried his card McNeeley went to Denison to have a look at the man, but does not remember of ever having seen him before.

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PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. Homer McGregor of Petrolia were in the city today.

R. H. Joyce returned this afternoon from a business trip to Henrietta.

V. G. Skeen left Sunday for St. Louis to buy dry goods for his store.

Mrs. A. J. Stanger of Petrolia was among the visitors in the city today.

Judge C. V. Terrell of Decatur was in the city yesterday, the guest of Dr. R. L. Miller.

Mrs. George W. Eagle left this afternoon for Vernon to visit her daughter, Mrs. C. B. Googer.

J. H. Osborne, a prosperous farmer who lives near Thornberry, was transacting business in the city today.

Dr. Walker was called to Electra this afternoon for a consultation with Dr. Mouser in a pneumonia case.

J. W. Campbell, one of Holliday's enterprising citizens, was in the city today and made this office an appreciated call.

W. E. Skeen and Miss Mattie Harding left this morning for St. Louis to buy dry goods and millinery for Mr. Skeen's store.

W. E. Rock, Jr., left yesterday for St. Louis and other dry goods markets to select the spring and summer stock for the firm of Rock & Duke.

Rev. J. B. Bowen, traveling evangelist for the Christian church, with headquarters at Seymour, was in the city today en route home from El Dorado, where he reports a very successful meeting.

A. J. Robinson of Davidson, Oklahoma, who was recently appointed chief engineer for the Wichita Falls and Northwestern and Wichita Falls and Southern, to succeed the late John W. Field, was in the city today.

John J. Clark of Thorpe, Texas, a dairyman and breeder of fine Jersey cattle, accompanied by his brother, Prof. Lee Clark of Iowa Park, is in the city today in conference with local parties concerning a proposition to place 500 head of Jersey cows here for dairy purposes.

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THE SICK.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Scalling of Dundee, who had a severe case of diphtheria, we are glad to state is convalescing nicely.

We regret to state that information obtained today from Dr. R. L. Miller is to the effect that the condition of Mr. T. A. Helm Sr., of Dundee, is practically unchanged.

Myles-Currie.

At half past five o'clock this morning at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Curry, the marriage of Miss Tott Curry to Mr. A. E. Myles took place, Rev. J. A. Stafford, pastor of the Tenth street Methodist church, officiating.

Mr. Myles and his bride left on the early morning train for a bridal trip of about ten days, during which time they will visit Kansas City and St. Louis. The couple will return to make this city their home and Mr. Myles will engage in business here.

The bride has been employed at the postoffice and is both popular and highly esteemed.

Mr. Myles is a native of Kentucky and until recently was secretary of the Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce. He is a man of pleasing personality and is possessed of splendid business ability.

Wallace-Gwinn.

Mrs. Bertha Gwinn and L. E. Wallace of Cleburne, were married at Iowa Park this morning. Mr. Wallace and his bride passed through Wichita Falls today on their way to their future home at Cleburne.

Johnnie Riley, living at the corner of Fifteenth street and Luff avenue, is quarantined with a case of smallpox. The contagion is of a light form and no other members of the family have yet been afflicted.

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Mr. Monroe Johnson of Chickasha, Oklahoma, is visiting his brother, Mr. Lee Johnson of this city this week.

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