

THE COKE COUNTY RUSTLER.

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Perryman & Averitt, Lawyers and Land Agents,

Will answer all inquiries about Lands in Coke County.
Parties desiring to sell will do well to list their Land with us.
Notice a few of our bargains listed in another Column.
Will prepare Abstracts of Land Title for our clients.
ROBERT LEE, COKE COUNTY, TEXAS.

Stop at the
CENTRAL Wagon Yard,
When you drive to San Angelo. Your teams well cared for. Feed stuff sold at lowest prices.
Headquarters for Knickerbocker, Sherwood, Ozona and Robert Lee mail hacks.
Yours for business,
D. E. COCREHAM,

Central Drug Store. Druggists and Pharmacists.

DEALERS IN
Pure Drugs and Chemicals, Perfumery, Toilet Articles,
Etc.
Prescription Work A Specialty.

SAN ANGELO TEXAS.
JOHN FINDLATER, JR.,
DEALER IN
Hardware, Stoves,
Agricultural Implements, Ideal and Freeport Wind Mills, Barbed and Smooth Wire, Bagging and Ties, Guns and Ammunition.
SAN ANGELO TEXAS.

WORMS! WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE!
For 20 Years Has Led all Worm Remedies.
SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.
Prepared by **JAMES F. BALLARD, St. Louis.**
For Sale at Pearce's Drug Store.

Lewis Brothers,
Dealers in
DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES.
ALSO CARRY HARDWARE, TINWARE, QUEENSWARE, GRAIN AND HAY.
Call and Examine our Goods and Prices.
ROBERT LEE, TEXAS.

Edith Etchings.
To the RUSTLER.
If it continues raining here much longer, some of us grangers will have to quit running about and go to work.
Elder Denton of Sanco, preached at Pecan School house yesterday.
Some of our people who attended the Mulkey meeting, at Sterling have returned home, they report having enjoyed themselves very much. We think Abe is all right, and Louisa is always equal to the occasion.

J. M. Sparks has his well drill hung in a well, on the B. M. Collyns ranch.
Emmitt Robbins, from Judge Chapman's ranch, was here yesterday, he says the stone work of the Judge's fine residence is half done.
J. D. Collier has been buying some cattle the past week, but we failed to learn the price paid.

W. B. Harrison has completed the new addition to his ranch house, and he and aunt Polly are now actual settlers, and we are glad to have them with us again.
Mrs. J. C. Arnett, who has been visiting her mother, in Burnet Co. for the past month returned home last Friday.

Will Price and family, of Roby, formerly residents of this County, are visiting relatives and friends here now.

George Sheppard and his beautiful bride have been spending a few days with his brother M. B. Sheppard.

REX.
Bucklen's Arnica Salve.
The best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter Chapped Hands, Chilblain, Corns and all Skin Eruption, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25cts. per box For sale by Ed. Mobley.

Ft. Chadbourne Notes.
Regular Correspondent.
Ft. Chadbourne Tex.,
June 5th 1899.

Dear RUSTLER.
As the rain is gently falling I thought I would give you and the readers of the RUSTLER a few happenings of our part of the good County of Coke.

Well we were visited the other night with a something which looked, the next morning like it might have been a fire that had passed through our cotton fields but some of oldest settlers said it was only a sand storm. Some will have to plant over, those that had plowed their cotton were not hurt, but the most wonderful thing that happened during the wind, was, that Mr. Wm. Billingslea's nephew, who was sleeping on a bed in the house, and the wind blew the quilt off of him and blew the sheet from under him and blew them some 50 yards away and never woke him up; that is Bro. Billingslea's report, but the young man said how that happened he was under the bed.
G. D. P. Clark went to Ballinger last week.

To the People Of COKE and the

ADJOINING COUNTIES:

We place before you our Price List and cordially invite you to call and examine our goods.

WE HAVE ONE PRICE TO ONE AND ALL.

The firm is known all over the State as

LEADERS OF LOW PRICES.

Notice a few of our matchless prices below.

Dress Goods, Staples and House Furnishings.
Window Shades, good length, 10c
Sea Island Domestic, 60x60 count, 3-3-4, regular price 5c.
Yard wide bleached Domestic, full width, soft finish, for machine, special at 4-1-2 c.
Scotch Lawn at 3-3-4 to 4-1-2 c.
India Mull Lawn 2c yd, 10 yds, 20c, one pattern to each customer.
Scrim for curtains at 3-1-2c worth 5c.
Crash for towels 3-3-4c.
Heavy Honey Comb Towels, per pair, only 16cts.
Oil Cloth, per yd 10cts.
OUR MILLINERY LINE
Is one that stands prominent in our business and we have been complimented by many of the beauty of our Hats as well as the low prices. Misses Leghorn Hats, trimmed, at 35c.
Ladies' Straw Braid Hats, elaborately trimmed in Chiffon and nice flowers for 35cts.
A WORD TO THE MEN.
Socks and Suspenders from 5c to 25c
Undershirts at 10c cheap for 20c.
Undershirts at 20c worth 25c.
Dirty Ribbed Undershirts, silk front, faced and braided neck, full finished and extra good lengths, sizes 34 and 36 our special at 35cts.
Men's Brown drill Drawers, reinforced crotch, only 25cts.
Men's good weight Cheviot Shirt, full length, 36 inches long, at 25c

Men's Dress Negligee Shirts, "The Crown" two-ply cuffs and collars, at 25c
We have the same patterns in three-ply cuffs and collars at 30c
A nice line of Men's Pique and Silk front Shirts.
Bought at job and cheaper than Jeans is our imitation Cassimere Pants for men, only 75c.
The goods are extra well made, cloth seemed and well shaped, they would be cheap at \$1.50.
Boys' Knee Pants for 20c
Men's and Boys Straw and Felt Hats at low prices.
A BIG SAVING IN OUR 5c LIST.
Six packages Adamantine Pins 5c
Two packages Brass Pins 5c
Two yards Elastic 5c
Two packages Envelopes 5c
Two packages best Needles 5c
Two Spools good Sewing Thread 5c
One Ladies Eoru Vest 5c
One Fancy Fan 5c
FOOT WEAR.
Ladies Dongola Button Shoes, solid leather out and out, nicely finished leather lined inner sole, perfectly flexible, the best seller we have and our leader at the stamped price is \$2.00.
Ladies India Kid Button Shoes worth \$1.25 were marked 75c
Ladies India Kid Slippers, nice and flexible and evenly shaped at 45c regular price 75c.
Misses' Slippers at 35c
Men's Satin Calf Bals, solid leather inner outer soles at \$1.25
Hot weather and Pleids will soon be the order of the day, and to supply your luxurious wants for them we have Parasols, Fans, Gloves etc.

We could enumerate many other good values but have not the space. Look for our sign next door to C. A. Probandt, Chadbourne Street, SAN ANGELO.

YOURS TO PLEASE,

MIS/ROD BROS/ & CO/

Mr. Ed, my little girl came in the other day and said, papa I see the RUSTLER's paper; (that's father to the little Editor).

Mr. H. D. Pearce was in our neighborhood last week, said he was canvassing Coke Co. for a fruit tree concern and the Singer Sewing Machine Co. and for the Coke County Rustler, he had taken several orders for the RUSTLER, glad that our people are taking their County Paper.

Mr. Ike Billingslea made a trip to Angelo last week, took all the chickens he could get; chickens seem to be very current now, I will be glad when they take a tumble for you see, as long as they stay up there's no chance to get a bite of fried chicken.

Mr. Tom Richards bought a small bunch of cattle from Mr. Coyer at \$13. around. Tom sold 2 cows and calves to one of the Kirkland's. I failed to learn the price.

Our Sunday School was well attended yesterday, also the preaching service. Mr. Wm. Barr preached.

I noticed the Bronte correspondent among our young people, he sees as to be drawn our way lately, says he think of joining our Sunday school, hope so Mrs. G. D. P. Clark was very sick yesterday, with heart trouble she is better this morning O: how it rains, I dont think that I can write any more now, for thinking of my corn and cotton eyes and the grass too how they will grow.

But I will say this that I wish several of our people are very sorry to learn that Prof. J. A. Thomas has applied for the Bronte school, we had hoped to get him into our school, hope you Bronte people will let us keep our teacher, if the Prof. will teach for us we will help him out of the weeds.

I am truly,
UNCLE TOM.
Clubbing Rates.
By special arrangements we can give the RUSTLER and any one of the following papers for one year for \$1.80:
Dallas Semi-Weekly News.
Galveston Semi-Weekly News.
Houston Semi-Weekly Post.
St. Louis Semi-Weekly Republic.
Atlanta Semi-Weekly Journal.
Atlanta Weekly Constitution.
New York, Trice a week, World
Texas Farm and Ranch, Weekly

J. W. HARRIS, Druggists Sundries, Paints and Oils.

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

COKE COUNTY RUSTLER

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF COKE CO.

HUBERT H. PEARCE,
Editor.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 1899.

Subscription Rates.
CASH IN ADVANCE.
One copy one year.....\$1.00
One copy six months.....50
One copy three months.....25

Advertising Rates.
known on application.

Entered at the postoffice at Robert Lee, Texas, as second-class matter.

Rail way Postal authorities in South Texas put a negro on as mail clerk on the Columbia Tap temporarily. We are glad to say the citizens expect to have him removed, peaceably if possible.

Dr. S. A. Hayden secured a verdict against Dr. J. B. Cranfill, et al., for \$20,000.00 actual and \$10,000.00 exemplary damages. A motion for a new trial was overruled, and notice of appeal was given. This damage suit has interested the Baptist denomination all over Texas. C. C. Slaughter, well known in this section is one of the defendants.

Roby, Fisher County, is in the midst of a warm Prohibition campaign. They too, are trying to build up a High School.

"Old Rabbit Twister" in the Press is arousing the ire of some his divide neighbors.

The little "Star" at Aspermont, twinkles brightly every week. It is guided by S. W. Thomas, cousin of our own Prof. F. E. Thomas.

The attention of the readers of this paper is called to the advertisement of Mr. Chas. P. Scrivener of Austin, Texas, which appears in this issue. There is no subject in which the people of this section of the State are more deeply interested than that of the sale of Public Free School Land. This act will take effect 90 days from date. In addition to this the forfeitures of former sales will soon occur, so that at an early day there will be a great deal of School Land on the market for sale. The information which Mr. Scrivener offers will prove valuable to every reader of this paper who feels an interest in School Land matters, and who wishes to secure some of our Public Free School Land. Mr. Scrivener is an experienced land man, and has been compiling Draughtsman in the State Land Office, and has also served as Assistant Engineer on the Railroad Commission, and he is therefore well qualified to render valuable assistance through his book to those who would otherwise be kept in ignorance of the means by which they can secure land.

Coke is all right.

Mr. G. C. Lasswell has bought an interest with D. L. Buchanan.

Rev. Gid Graham has gone to New Mexico to organize a Primitive Baptist Church.

A lot of steer yearlings were delivered at W. C. Barron's yesterday. \$15 was the price.

Official Directory.

DISTRICT.
Judge.....J. W. Timmins,
Attorney.....D. D. Wallace,
Sheriff.....L. B. Murray,
Clerk.....J. W. Barnett,

COUNTY.
Judge.....M. H. Davis,
Attorney.....Gid Graham,
Clerk.....J. W. Barnett
Sheriff.....L. B. Murray,
Assessor.....W. W. McCutchen
Treasurer.....C. L. Hughes,
Surveyor.....G. C. Berryman,
Hide & Animal Inspector, Will Perry,

Robert Lee Mail Directory.

Robert Lee and San Angelo, daily except Sunday. Arrives 5:30 p m and departs 7:30 a m.

Robert Lee and Ballinger, daily except Sunday, arrives 7 p m and leaves 7 a m.

Robert Lee via Sanco to Silver, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Arrives 7 p m and leaves 6 a m.

Robert Lee and Ft. Chadbourne, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, arrives 6 p m and leaves at 7 a m.

Robert Lee and Tennyson, Tuesday and Saturday, arrives 7 p m and leaves at 6 a m.

Robert Lee and Edith, Monday, Wednesday and Friday; arrives at 12:30 p m and leaves at 7 a m.

Robert Lee and Sweetwater, Monday and Friday, 8 p m. arrives, Tuesday and Saturday, 6 a m leaves.

Church Directory.

Baptist:—Each First Sabbath at 11 a. m., and at night. At Methodist Church.

Eld. G. C. Berryman,
Pastor.

Christian:—Services on Second Sunday in each month at 11 a. m. and at night, at School House.

Rev. Hooton, Pastor.

Methodist Episcopal South—Services Third Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and night.

Eugene T. Bates, P. C.

Methodist Protestant—Services on Fourth Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., and at night, at Methodist Church.

A S Miller, Pastor.

Methodist Sabbath School at 3 p. m. each Sunday.

J. O. Turner, Supt.

Primitive Baptist—Second Sunday and Saturday before in each month at Valley View School house.

Gid Graham, Pastor.

Affidavit.

State of Texas,) May, 8, 1899.
County of Howard)

To all whom it may concern,
This is to certify that M. B. Sawyer of said County and State has this day filed a bond of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars in the county clerk's office of said county and state; said bond is to secure the amount that have been paid, or is hereafter to be paid into a fund for the purpose of employing a Law firm to bring suite in the supreme court of the state of Texas to test the constitutionality of what is known as the absolute lease line Law.

M. B. Sawyer.

Filed this the 8th day of May 1899.

W. F. Dent,
Co. Clerk, Howard Co. Tex.

Eld. G. C. Berryman, Baptist, preaches at cedar Hill school house on Second Sunday and Saturday before in each month.

Eld. Walker W. Smith's appointments: Indian creek School house third Sunday and Saturday before in each month. Antioch Church, Rock Springs school house on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before, at 11 a m and at night.

Eld. A M Lackey's appointments: Bronte—Third Sunday and Saturday before, 11 a m and night.

Valley View—First Sunday at 11 a m.

Tennyson—Fourth Sunday 11 a m Saturday night.

Bronte News.

Mr. Ed. we thought you was jesting about ordering rain for the good people of Coke. We have enough, please turn off the hydrant, the water is wasting, the river is full, and creek past fording, several persons water and rain bound.

Our bike riders have to carry their wheels and wade the creeks, we are a progressive people but hard to please.

The wind on last Thursday night did considerable damage destroying cotton in sandy lands, did considerable damage to Dr. Clark's orchard. Several out-houses were blown down, and something, tornado, cyclone, simoon, or something propelled by powder struck A. J. Adam's turkey roost, result, one turkey dead.

Court at Bronte last Saturday, and grandpa McCutchen and Powell Attorney, of Ballinger received the gate fees.

The new addition to the McCarty Drug Store, is going to be used for a Hotel.

We are always glad to read the letters, our friend, the brave patriotic Coke County boy, in the far away Philippine Islands, Marion Stewart writes.

A stock farmer living at Wingate, sold out and moved to N. M. has just returned and is looking for a home near Bronte, the garden spot of Coke County.

Mr. J. J. S. Smith, of near Eddy, New Mexico, and formerly of Coke County, who is engaged in the sheep industry, writes a friend that a man would not benefit himself financially, leaving Coke for Eddy, N. M. that Coke is far the best stock country.

I hope New Comer will not misconstrue my benevolence in regard to the young ladies of Rock Springs for there are a great many beautiful and accomplished young ladies in that community.

Miss Bertie McDonald, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. McDonald, of Rock Springs is at home on vacation.

LUCENE.

Commissioners Affidavit.

We the undersigned Commissioners Court do solemnly swear that the requirements of article 867, chapter one, Title 25, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, amended by the acts of March 20th, 1897, have been in all things fully complied with, at the regular May term, 1899, of said Court and that the cash and other assets mentioned in the County Treasurer's Quarterly Report, made by the County Treasurer of said County have been fully inspected and counted by us, and the amount of money in his hands is

\$24.73

Assets 3893.62

Total 3912.35

M. H. Davis, County Judge,

J. H. Burroughs, Com. Pre. No. 1

M. H. Havens, " " " 2

J. C. Newton, " " " 3

G. W. Payne, " " " 4

Sworn to and subscribed before we this 11th day of May, A. D. 1899 J. W. Barnett County Clerk, Coke County, Texas. By H. E. Johnson Deputy.

Mill Grinds

at Robert Lee, on Saturday before the first Sunday in each month.

L. H. McDorman.

A Mr. Rodgers, from near Cameron, is visiting his brother-in-law W. F. Stephens of Hayrick.

Cold Drinks and CONFECTIONERY,

DILLON DANNELLY, PROPRIETOR.

A fine line of fresh candy always on hand. Fresh fruit also Between Post Office and Hayley & Co's Drug Store, Robert Lee.

Coke is the best COUNTY IN THE WEST,

For the

HOMESEEEKER,

OUR LAND AGENTS ARE

Reasonable in their

COMMISSIONS.

Letters addressed to any Land Agent

OF THE RUSTLER,

Will be Answered.

A BOON TO MANKIND!

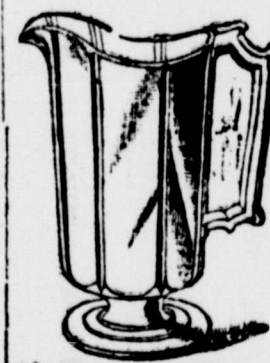
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A New Discovery for the Certain Cure of INTERNAL and EXTERNAL PILES, WITHOUT PAIN.

CURES WHERE ALL OTHERS HAVE FAILED. TUBES, BY MAIL, 75 CENTS; BOTTLES, 50 CENTS.

JAMES F. BALLARD, Sole Proprietor, 310 North Main Street, ST. LOUIS, MO. For Sale by W. L. HAYLEY & Co., Druggists.



J. E. STEWART,

DEALER IN

Glassware and Notions,

Fancy Goods, Racket STOCK, Etc.

Feed, Dry Goods, variety of 5 and 10 cent goods. Call and examine this stock and the prices.

Half gallon glass pitcher, 30 cents.

SOUTH SIDE SQUARE, ROBERT LEE, TEX.

Burkhart's Vegetable Compound

Has been SUCCESSFULLY introduced IN COKE COUNTY.

It is sold under a positive Guarrantee to cure Rheumatism, Constipation, Sick and Nervous Headache and Liver and Kidney diseases. Six months treatment only costs one dollar, small sample size, 25 cents. You can purchase this valuable remedy at W. L. Hayley & Co's, Robert Lee; Crayton & Robbins Bros., Bronte; and at the Post Offices of Edith, Sanco, Silver, Tennyson and Ft. Chadbourne.

LOCAL CHIPS.

The summer of '99 will be a lively one for Robert Lee.

Mrs. G. W. Maatin and son, Curtis visited Mr. J. F. Cole's family this week.

John Weathers was in town last Monday. Says range is fine up his way.

Arkansaw Smith says "I sell groceries for cash and cash talk. You are not paying anybody else bills when you trade with him for they all pay cash and are happy."

H. D. Pearce, while in Coke last week, secured twenty new subscribers for the RUSTLER.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McCraw spent last Saturday calling on a number of their friends, it being Mrs. McCraw's birthday. She is sixty six years of age, but no one on whom she called would have guessed her over forty.

Shoop's Restorative will be kept by W. L. Hayley and Co. on the guarantee plan. Their first supply will arrive about the 15th inst.

Mr. Tunnell turned the contract for the School building back to the School Board and it was relet to a Mr. Williams, of San Angelo. Mr. Williams let the contract for ruck work to J. H. Burroughs and the lumber hauling to B. F. Montgomery.

A few croquet sets and hammocks for sale at Hayley & Co's.

Mr. Bill Crawford caught a large bull snake last Saturday and held him in his hands and exhibited him around town. This snake was seven feet and nine inches long and seemed quite harmless in Mr. Crawford's hands.

W. C. and R. L. Hayley, of Indian Creek were in town Tuesday.

Young Mr. Val Key, of Bronte, knows good sermons when he hears them, therefore Robert Lee caught him last Sunday, as well as the one before.

Arkansaw Smith sold 1000 sacks of flour, last month, and made 5 cts. on the sack. Cash talk! It cost nothing to price goods at his store. Be sure and see him before you buy.

Prof. Edd Fletchea, a handsome beau from Bronte attended church here Sunday.

Prof. Bob Umbie a good singer and handsome fellow was in Robert Lee last Sabbath. We dont know which of our ministers he likes best he comes to hear them all.

Charle Esco from Hayrick smiled at our pretty girls last Sunday.

Fine showers fell Sunday, Sunday night, Monday and Monday night.

Capt. Hutchinson was in town Tuesday.

Miss Boring a pretty young lady from Meekel is visiting in Coke. She spent a couple of days in our city this week.

Most any town man can tell how the Prohibition election is going.

Several of our people delight in "going fishing" these days.

John McCabe was in town Tuesday.

Misses Scottie Ingram, Fannie Laswell, and Stella Remer, accompanied grandpa and grandma Turner to Sterling, last week, to attend the Mulkey Meeting.

Messrs. R. P. and Will Perry have built a nice picket fence around their Hotel yard.

Miss Helen Latham is a beautiful young lady from Fredonia, who is visiting her brother Dr. J. B. Latham of this place.

"Pros" and "Antis" are talking over the question this week.

Stop at the Webb Hotel when in Lee.

Messrs. Perryman & Averitt list some new lands in this issue.

We learn that Judge McCarty is now Bronte's only druggist. Success to him.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Casey on last Saturday a boy, Da. Martin officiating.

The celebrated Botanic Medicine for sale by W. L. Hayley and Co's.

Mrs. W. W. Ditto daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hooten is reported convalescent. At one time she was near death's door.

Brother Berryman Baptist Pastor, preached interesting sermon at the church Saturday night and Sunday. Immediately after the morning service, Sunday, the congregation adjourned to the water's edge, on Mountain Creek, where at high noon, Mrs. H. H. Pearce was baptized. On account of heavy rains in the afternoon there was no night service.

Rufe Whiteside and Bud Warren were in town Tuesday, from near Olga.

E. H. Winans ("Bud") was in town Tuesday.

When you drive over to Angelo, stop at Finch's Wagon Yard next to Hotel San Angelo.

Eld. Jno. Hooten will commence a protracted meeting at Bronte on Friday night before the fourth Sunday in June, to continue ten days.

Plenty of screw worm medicine at W. L. Hayley and Co.

Sam C. Wilkins has a new boy at his house. The youngster arrived about two weeks ago, but Sam the sly ex RUSTLER man told us never a word. Drs. Latham & Teliver were the attending physicians.

Miss Catherine Robinson, an accomplished young lady from Miss. is still visiting her Uncle, J. L. Robinson, near Et. Chadbourne.

Sammie Ross, a handsome young Apollo, from across Kickapoo Mountain came down Saturday and Sunday to hear Bro. Berryman preach.

Miss Bagley, the pretty sister of Mrs. W. C. Merchant is down from Hylton for a visit.

Capt. J. L. Robinson was in during the rain last Monday.

John A. Gardner is a new subscriber this week.

J. W. Hall sends the RUSTLER to his brother, J. C. Hall, Savoy, Texas.

J. F. Cole attended the baytizing and other church service here last Sunday.

Mr. I. J. Good, a "good" citizen from Edith called on the Ruster last Monday, he said to keep the paper a coming.

A negro got his hand badly burned in San Angelo by trking hold of the broken end of an electric light wire.

N. D. Goss, while digging in J. W. Aall's well Tuesday found an immense jaw bone of some huge animal. It has a few teeth six inches long in it and was found in concrete 15 feet from top of the ground.

Mrs. Hagerton and Miss Bama Lowe were in town, Saturday shopping.

Uncle Rufe Perry has bought a fine \$50.00 "Jersey" cow. Nothing unusual about that, but it is said that the cow gives so much milk that instead of carrying the milk to the house in several pails, uncle Rufe just brings the cow to the kitchen door each milking time so as to save carrying so much milk so far.

The RUSTLER is for Prohibition.

School Land. School Land.

Public Domain. PUBLIC DOMAIN.

Forfeited Lands. FORFEITED LANDS.

DO YOU KNOW that the Supreme Court of Texas has decided that all the Public Domain in Texas belongs to the Free School Fund, and that the Legislature has just passed an act placing all the Public Domain on the market for sale as school land on 40 years time at only 3 per cent interest, which act will take effect 90 days after the adjournment of the Legislature?

DO YOU KNOW about when the forfeited list of school lands will be sent out by the General Land Office to the County Clerk of each county placing each forfeited section on the market for sale again.

DO YOU KNOW in what counties in this State Public Free School Land is on the market for sale.

DO YOU WANT a book giving the full text of the State law in regard to the purchase of Public Free Land, together with the resources of the various sections of the State and statistics in regard to them of great value to you.

DO YOU WANT a map of the State by counties?

DO YOU WANT a copy of the act of legislature just passed placing all Public Domain on the market for sale, which will take effect 90 days after the adjournment of the Legislature.

DO YOU WANT to be instructed as to what steps to take in order to place yourself in a position to secure some of this Public Domain, which will be forfeited when the lists are sent out.

If you are interested in the above then send \$1.00 either by personal check or money order, to the undersigned for a copy of his book with map of Texas, giving School Land Law and telling how to buy same, with list of counties in which it is located, and a copy of the recent act of the Legislature which ought to be worth \$100. to you, if you feel an interest in these matters.

CHAS. P. SCRIVENER, Formerly State Compiling Draughtsman, Box 495, Austin, Tex. REFERENCES:—Hon. John H. Reagan, Rail Road Commissioner; Hon. E. P. Willmot, Pres. Austin National Bank.

Notice.

I have now a large stock of Coffins on hand; but must have cash or good security.

Respect.,

J. H. Burroughs.

For Sale—One section school land, bought under the dollar act and two R. R. Sections leased, all fenced, 65 acres in cultivation, growing crop. Three room box house. Good well with 8 foot Airmoter Wind Mill. Situated North West side of Hayrick Mountain.

260 acres of land one mile North East of Sanco Post Office. 50 acres fenced and in cultivation, growing crop. Box house three rooms, good well water, cow pens, etc. Patented land, clear.

For particulars call on address. B. L. Acrey, Robert Lee Texas.

Between 4 and 5 thousand acres of fine farming land. From 4 to 6 miles south of Robert Lee' in bodies to suit purchasers from 160 to 1476 acre tracts. For further information, see Perryman & Averitt.

359 acres of fenced land one mile from Court House. 140 acres in fine state of cultivation, whole place well watered. Good five room dwelling house, barn, buggy sheds, etc., for further particulars call on Perryman & Averitt.

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N. D. Goss says Charleo and George, two of his brothers, are practicing up and will organize a "show" and travel over the country this summer. T. J. Goss the detective, is not expected to go with them.

J. W. Reed & Co.,

Dealers in

General Merchandise and Leaders of Low Prices

Call on us when in need of Groceries, Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Furnishings, Saddles, Harness, Hardware, Etc.

ROBERT LEE, — — — TEXAS.

MONEY SAVED

On your Plow Tools, Windmills, Hardware Glassware, Chinaware Aermoter Wind Mills, Well Supplies of all kinds, Piping, Casing, Cypress and Galvanized Tanks, Horse Power and Pump Jacks, Steam and Power Drilling Machines, Hacks, Buggies, Bain, Old Hickory, and the Celebrated Deere Steel Wagon, Coal, Buggy and Hack Tops, Etc.

C. & G. Hagestein Co.,

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

I am prepared to furnish 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, and 16 foot Steel Star Mills, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22 1-2 and 25 foot of the Celebrated Eclipse Mills, and all kinds of Well Supplies at close figures. My office is at Hagestein's.

CHAS. CHAMBERLAIN.

G. C. Laswell & Son,

SUCCESSORS TO ED M. MOBLEY.

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More Locals.

Misses Emma Stickney and Lillie Trammell have the RUSTLER's thanks for valuable assistance in folding and mailing papers lately.

Capt. J. P. Hutchison, Com. R. C. Camp U. C. V. was in town last Friday, and while here called on the RUSTLER, and desired us to inform the public that he had appointed the Adjutant, of the Camp, H. H. Hayley, to select a sight for holding the next Annual Reunion, somewhere between Robert Lee and W. T. Caraway's on Mountain Creek. This reunion will be held on the third Saturday in July.

Mr. 'Loss' Mobley has returned from an extended trip into New Mexico. Says Coke is good enough for him.

Messrs. Emmett Reed and Lee Hamilton say that they believe Coke County is the best. They recently returned from a trip to New Mexico.

Steve Parker drove to town in his fine looking new wagon last Saturday.

J. D. Collier was in from Edith, yesterday. He reports everything flourishing in his section.

Prof. J. L. Ross was in town Saturday. The Professor is adding some good volumes to his library these days.

W. A. Robbins was in from Hayrick Monday.

For two weeks our columns are open for the local prohibition question. "Pro's" and "Anti's" can get equally good treatment at our hands.

Self Explanatory.

Austin, Texas, May, 26, '99. Judge M. H. Davis, Robert Lee, Tex., Dear Sir:—

I am in receipt of your letter of the 19th inst.

In regard to the bill changing the Jurisdiction of your county I did not know that there was any petition protesting against it.

We were all told that it was entirely satisfactory to you and the people of your county, and the protest was kept secret from us. If I had known otherwise I would have voted against the bill.

Yours Respectfully, Ben Palmer.

Sanco Sunshine.

Ed. RUSTLER:

You may tell all outsiders of the fine rains we are having, in Coke County, and of the fine crops now growing, and the grass already fine and getting better.

The farmer is very hopeful of good crops, with bright prospects of their being realized.

We learn that Bro. Hancock formerly of the Ft. Chadbourne neighborhood has secured a home in Scurry County, so ends the Oklahoma fever, with many who left Coke County.

W. L. Lowe now lives a few miles north of Sanco.

All is lovely on the north side of the state of Coke.

SANCO.

Robert Lee is all "O. K."

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TEXANETTES.

Carpenters are in demand at McKinney.

A coat of paint is being put on the roof of the Hill county courthouse.

Gilbert Turner was killed at McGregor by the accidental discharge of a pistol.

L. P. S. Green, a Dallas county pioneer, died at Oak Cliff, aged 86 years.

Eight divorcees were granted at Clarksville one day recently in less than an hour.

A Knights of Pythias lodge was organized at Van Alstyne with forty-five members.

The handsome three-story residence of Wm. Jolesch, at Ennis, was damaged \$1000 worth by fire.

Hon. J. W. Bailey addressed the literary societies of the Southwestern University at Georgetown.

A Lamar county farmer has a chick with four legs and four wings. It lived several hours after being hatched.

Mrs. W. L. Townes, wife of County and District Clerk Towner, died at Ballinger, and was buried at Runnels.

The jury in the Gus Moore case at Palestine returned a verdict of not guilty. Moore was charged with the murder of a Mexican last year.

One of the richest copper deposits known, it is said, has been found in Archer county. A Boston company has machinery en route to work the find.

The body of Miss Pinkie Thomas, interred at Sherman twenty years ago, was exhumed and taken to Nevada, Mo., and buried beside her parents there.

The case of Bartholomew vs. the city of Austin, which has been on trial in the Federal court at Austin since May 15, was decided in favor of the plaintiff and damages to the amount

Tom Purvis on trial at Dallas charged with the murder of Ed Hunt, both colored, in that city, was adjudged guilty, and given forty years in the penitentiary.

A young white man while returning home at Tyler a few nights ago was accosted by two armed men and carried to a secluded spot in the western part of town and severely flogged.

Bois d'Arc lodge, at Greenville, Woodmen of the World, celebrated the unveiling of a monument to their deceased companion, J. A. Weatherly, at Horn cemetery. The cemetery is three miles south of town, and the exercises were attended by probably 1000 people.

The patriotic people of Independence, William Penn, Whitman, Washington, Graball and Chappell Hill are taking a lively interest in the dedication of the independence monument on the Fourth of July at old Washington, and will prepare barbecued meat enough for fully 10,000 people.

Mr. Fred Flemming has just awarded a contract for the erection of a residence on the corner of West Sixth avenue, and Fourteenth street, Corsicana, the cost of which will be \$15,000. It will be, when completed, the most complete and finest residence building in Navarro county.

George A. Mathewson of London, Canada, fled suit to foreclose a deed of trust on what is known as the White block in Jefferson. There are twenty-four defendants named in the petition. This deed of trust was given in 1893 and the property has passed through a great many hands since then.

A stock train on the Midland, from Ennis to Paris, made the run in three hours and forty-five minutes, including a half-hour lay-out at Greenville. The distance traveled is 125 miles, and the train was made up of ten cars. The passenger schedule for the same run is four hours and thirty minutes.

Several of the members of the Mystic Shrine in Denison have received buttons from Buffalo, N. Y., for the convention of the Shriners in that city. The buttons are covered with a large shaggy head of a buffalo, with the inscription, "Put me off at Buffalo."

of \$39,925 adjudged against the city for hydrant rental for the years 1896, 1897 and 1898 with interest.

Sayers to Smith.

Austin, Tex., June 5.—The following is self-explanatory:

"H. A. T. S. Smith, attorney general: Dear sir—During your absence I assume the responsibility of directing one of your assistants, Hon. B. N. Morris, to proceed to Henderson county and assist the county attorney in the investigation of the murder of three citizens of that county by a mob and in the prosecution of all who were engaged in the commission of that crime.

"It is my desire that you should at once take charge of the matter, aiding the county authorities to the full extent of the powers conferred upon you by law, and that no effort shall be spared to bring the perpetrators of the crime to justice.

"You may confidently rely on my most earnest and active assistance, and I beg that you will at once put yourself in communication with Mr. Morris and the county attorney, and take such steps as in your judgment may be necessary and proper.

"I have every reason to believe that the county officials are doing their full duty in the premises, but should they need any assistance in addition to that which has already been given them, please advise me at once.

"No greater crime can, in my judgment be committed than that which deprives a citizen of his inalienable right to be tried in accordance with the form prescribed by the constitution and the law of the state, and no man or set of men should be permitted to assume the power of taking the law into their own hands and of discharging functions which belong exclusively to those designated by law.

"I regard the occurrence in Henderson county not only as willful, premeditated and deliberate murder, but also as a direct assault upon the dignity and sovereignty of the state.

"In its presence, life, liberty and property can not be considered secure to any one. Such character of crime means anarchy in its worst form. Yours truly,

"JOSEPH D. SAYERS, Governor."

Confederate Monument.

San Antonio, Tex., June 5.—With imposing ceremonies, with the stars and stripes floating above the scene, and in the presence of several thousand, including many veterans of both the gray and the blue, the cornerstone of the monument to the Confederate dead was laid in Travis park Saturday afternoon. It is the result of the patriotic and earnest efforts of the members of Banard E. Bee chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, and is the first historic shaft erected in San Antonio outside of a cemetery inclosure. The ceremonies were conducted by the Masonic fraternity, which were witnessed by the Daughters of the Confederacy, Albert Sidney Johnston camp, U. C. V., E. O. C. Ord post, G. A. R., members of the Women's Relief Corps and many other visitors from neighboring towns. Gonzales commandery, Knights Templars, led by the eminent commander, J. M. Murphy, attended in a body, with their attractive uniforms and knightly bearing, adding much to the attractive appearance of the Masonic parade. Judge J. H. Reagan delivered an oration.

Murdered and Mutilated.

Austin, Tex., June 5.—G. W. Engburg and his wife were murdered and their bodies mutilated in the most horrible manner at their home two miles west of Manor, this county, Friday night.

Mr. Engburg was a well to do Eweda farmer. He and his wife were each aged about 30 years.

Mr. Engburg was shot through the head with buckshot, his throat cut from ear to ear and his body otherwise mutilated.

His wife was shot through the head with a pistol bullet, and her head beaten into a jelly. She was then criminally assaulted.

Terribly Burned.

Whitney, Tex., June 5.—A lamp exploded at the residence of Dr. R. M. Greer, in South Whitney, about 9 o'clock Saturday night with very serious results.

Mrs. Greer in passing through the dining hall noticed the lamp bowl aflame. Laying hold of it, she attempted to throw it through the door. The screen being closed, however, the lamp rebounded and striking her, exploded, almost completely enveloping her in burning oil. Dr. Greer was badly burned also.

Ex-Senator and Mrs. Mills have gone to Atlantic City, N. J., where they will summer.

Will Not Yield.

Austin, Tex., June 3.—Dr. Blunt last night received the following telegram from Dr. Souchon:

"I wire report of inspectors of Mississippi, Alabama and marine hospital service, and am now confident you will raise quarantine against New Orleans:

"After an investigation of the health condition of New Orleans and special inquiry into the case of yellow fever reported on May 28, we state that we have been unable to find any other cause of suspicious illness in the city and have not been able to trace the source of infection in the case reported. The state and local health authorities have afforded us all reasonable assistance in this investigation. We deem it unnecessary and unwise for any state or city to quarantine against New Orleans under the present conditions.

"W. H. SANDERS, M. D.,

"Health officer of Alabama.

"GLENN ANDREWS, M. D.,

"Member board of health of Alabama.

"R. M. HARALSON, M. D.,

"H. A. GRANT, M. D.,

"Members board of health of Mississippi.

"W. W. ASHTON, M. D.,

"Resident inspector Louisiana state board of health for the parishes."

Dr. Blunt gave New Orleans very little consolation in his reply, which was as follows:

"Dr. Edmond Souchon et al.: With due deference to your opinions, there having been one positive case of yellow fever in New Orleans, the origin of which can not be traced, and which must have originated there, affords us good reasons for waiting at least ten days before making any change in our quarantine."

Killed at Rosebud.

Rosebud, Tex., June 3.—About 3 o'clock yesterday morning Mr. W. K. McDonald, insurance agent, was killed at his home in the south part of town. He was at home alone at the time, his wife having just walked over to a near-by neighbor's for some vegetables for dinner.

She returned to find his lifeless body lying on the floor in the dining-room with the whole top of his head blown off and a 45-caliber pistol lay by his side.

The poor little woman fell to the ground from the shock and was thrown into a frenzy of grief. Near-by neighbors heard the pistol shot, but thought nothing of it at the time.

Justice Howard viewed the remains, but will defer rendering a decision for a day or two to see if any further evidence develops in the case.

The deceased leaves a wife and no children, but has an orphan niece rearing her. He leaves some brothers and sisters in Tennessee. Justice Howard telegraphed them and received an answer from T. L. and J. McDonald of Collinsville, Tenn.

The tragedy is greatly deplored by the whole town. He was buried in the Rosebud cemetery by the Knights of Pythias, being an honored member in that order and in which he carried a \$3000 policy.

Touched Off.

Houston, Tex., June 3.—Thursday there was an explosion at the corner of Main street and Congress avenue that caused considerable excitement. It was from a manhole that went down to the underground conduit of the telephone company and near the pipes of the gas company. It is explained that a spark of electricity emanated in some way by the wires touched off an accumulation of escaped gas. It blew the iron top off the manhole several feet into the air, and also paving stones that weighed thirty pounds.

Arrested.

Corsicana, Tex., June 3.—The pursuit of the colored boy charged with criminally assaulting little Ethel, the 6-year-old daughter of W. A. Thedford, two miles south of Rice was continued by armed parties from this city and the neighborhood in which the assault was committed and resulted at 6:30 yesterday morning in the arrest of Warren Bartlett in a creek bottom near Lockhart's school house about five miles southeast from where the assault was committed. He was jailed here.

Plaintiff Wins.

Dallas, Tex., June 3.—The jury in the case of Rev. S. A. Hayden vs. Rev. J. B. Cranfill et al. awarded plaintiff \$20,000 actual and \$10,000 exemplary damages. It is understood a motion for a new trial will be made.

Commencement Week.

Austin, Tex., June 2.—The following is the programme for commencement week at the state university:

Commencement Sunday, June 11—At 11 a. m., baccalaureate sermon by the Rev. W. T. Moore, dean of the Bible college of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.; at 8:30 p. m., address before the Y. M. C. A. by Rev. Dr. W. H. Leavall, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Houston, Tex.

University day, Monday June 12—At 9 a. m., formal meeting of the Texas academy of science; at 11 a. m., address before the literary societies by Hon. Joseph W. Bailey, representative in congress for the fifth district of Gainesville, Tex.; at 6:30 p. m., concert in the auditorium; at 8:30 p. m., anniversary exercise of the literary societies.

Alumni day, Tuesday, June 13—At 8:30 a. m., alumni serenade; at 9 a. m., annual business meeting of the alumni; at 11:30 a. m., alumni address by Rhodes Semmes Baker, Esq., (LL. D. 1896) of Dallas, Tex.; at an hour to be fixed by the Alumni society, alumni banquet; at 6:30 p. m., concert in the auditorium; at 8:30 p. m., alumni evening.

Commencement day, Wednesday, June 14—At 10:30 a. m., commencement address by Leo N. Levi, Esq., of Galveston, Tex.; the conferring of university degrees; at 9 p. m., final reception.

Thursday and Friday, June 15 and 16—At 1 a. m., second annual session of the Texas State Historical association.

The programme for social entertainments during the week is as follows:

Friday, June 9—Theta Nu Epsilon fraternity german at Eighth Street hall.

Saturday—Final german at University German club at Hyde park pavilion.

Monday—Morning german at Eighth Street hall from 7 to 10; Beta Theta Pi fraternity cotillion at Eighth Street hall.

Tuesday—Kappa Sigma german at Driskill hotel.

Wednesday—Final reception and ball at Driskill.

Thursday—Sigma Chi fraternity reception and german at Driskill hotel.

Yellow Fever Matters.

Austin, Tex., June 2.—State Health Officer Blunt yesterday morning received the following telegram:

New Orleans, La., June 1.—To State Health Officer, Austin: Will Texas receive New Orleans freight disinfected by marine hospital service in conformity with revised regulations Atlanta conference? NYDEZGER, Surgeon.

Dr. Blunt replied: "Texas not party to Atlanta conference. Can not allow goods to enter Texas from any infected district. Can take no risk. Health and lives of our people far more important than commerce. If no other case of yellow fever occurs in New Orleans in ten days will relax quarantine."

The health department has received no other advices from Dr. Souchon as to the situation. In the meantime inspectors from Alabama and Mississippi are investigating in New Orleans.

From records on file in the state health department r. Blunt has compiled a table showing the date and place since 1867 of the appearance of yellow fever in the United States in the years it was epidemic, except in 1889, when it was prevalent in Brunswick, Ga.

The record:

1867—At New Orleans, June 10.

1873—At New Orleans, July.

1878—At New Orleans, early in June.

1879—At Memphis, Tenn., July 9.

1883—At Pensacola, Fla., Aug. 29.

1897—At Ocean Springs, Miss., Sept. 3.

1898—At McHenry, Miss., June 9.

1899—At New Orleans, May 29.

Skeleton Found.

Calvert, Tex., June 2.—While cleaning a well on the Harlan farm, near here, a human skeleton was found buried in the mud at the bottom. There is no clew whatever as to when the unfortunate got there. The well is eighty feet deep, and has been used for ten or fifteen years. There was a piece of cloth hanging to some of the bones, which was thought to have been a coat, and the bones are so large that they are probably those of a man, but the only mysterious disappearance of any one on the farm was that of a crazy woman about five years ago. The bones show no mark of violence, but were all separate. The jaws contained a full set of sound teeth.

Into a Receiver's Hand.

"Jim writes home," said the old man, "that he was drawn on me for \$20 ag'in."

"What's up now?"

"College dinner. Last time he drew \$20 fer breakfast."

"Yes."

"An' \$20 fer supper."

"You don't say?"

"Fact. Run an' hitch up the hay hoss—quick."

"What air you a-goin' to?"

"I'm a-goin' to throw myself into the han's of a receiver, an' take the bankrupt act before Jim draws on me fer lunch."

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DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AGAIN.

New Spanish Ambassador Calls at the White House and is Cordially Received by the President.

Presented to President.

Washington, June 5.—Diplomatic relations with Spain, broken off April 21, 1898, were formally resumed at 11 o'clock Saturday when President McKinley greeted Duc d'Arcos, the newly accredited minister to the United States, in the blue parlor of the white house.

The ceremony was exceedingly simple. Promptly at 11 o'clock, the hour set, the two carriages containing the Duc d'Arcos, Secretary Hay and the secretaries of the new Spanish minister, Senor Riano and Pastor, reached the white house.

On reaching the blue parlor they were presented by Secretary Hay to Col. Bingham, who remained with them while the secretary of state retired for a moment. He immediately reappeared with President McKinley, to whom he presented the Duc d'Arcos and Senors Riano and Pastor. The president was cordial, but dignified in his greeting. The Duc d'Arcos then read his address in Spanish as follows:

"Mr. President: I have the honor to place in your excellency's hand the royal letter by which her majesty, the queen regent of Spain, in the name of her august son, King Don Alfonso XIII, accredits me near this government in the capacity of envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary.

"I have come to renew the relations of friendship which have existed from old between Spain and the United States, and which were interrupted by the war of last year. The treaty of peace which Spain has signed put an end to that war and now looking only to the future, Spain desires that her relations with this republic may be as friendly as they were in times past, and from the days in which this country was struggling to gain its independence. It is my task to contribute to the renewal of these relations, to strengthen them and to draw them closer; in the discharge of it I hope to be aided by the kindness and co-operation of your excellency and of your government."

The president responded as follows: "Mr. Minister: I receive with the greatest gratification the letter by which her majesty, the queen regent of Spain, in the name of her august son, King Alfonso XIII, has accredited you near the government as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary. You will find, Mr. Minister, a cordial welcome in this country, not only from those whose friendship you acquired during your former residence but from all our people, who rejoice as I do at the renewal of the ancient bonds of amity which, with a brief interruption, have united our nations for more than 100 years. That these friendly relations may be confirmed and strengthened, to the advance of both parties is my earnest wish, and I can assure you that every member of this government will heartily co-operate with you to that desired end."

At the conclusion of the address the president stepped forward and shook hands cordially with the new minister and they engaged in conversation in a low tone for a minute or two. The president gracefully inquired after the health of the queen regent and the king. He courteously referred to the Duc's former residence of this country and his many friends here, and repeated the assurances of the concluding words of his formal greeting, that every one here would unite in making the minister's stay in this country pleasant and satisfactory.

The part then retired and were driven to the Arlington hotel.

Vice Presidents.

Wichita, Kan., June 5.—At the Trans-Mississippi congress, state vice presidents and executive committeemen were announced as follows: Arkansas, S. A. Williams, Fort Smith; United Commercial Travelers, Henry Wallenstein, Wichita; Indian Territory, H. M. Wolverton, Duncan; Kansas, Charles A. Fellows, Topeka; Louisiana, W. J. Sanders, New Orleans; Missouri, E. D. Bigelow, Kansas City; Oklahoma, H. R. Boardbill, Ponca City; Texas, G. T. Jester, Corsicana.

The American mediation scheme was adopted by the sub-committee at the Hague conference.

Two Fights.

Manila, June 5.—Gen. Hall's column, in movement upon the Morong peninsula, completed a circuit of twenty miles over rough and mountainous country, having two engagements with the insurgents, one of them severe, and keeping up an almost constant fire against scattered bands of rebels for nearly twenty-four hours from 4 o'clock Saturday morning, when the column left the pumping-station.

The Filipinos were driven in every direction and the country through which Gen. Hall passed was pretty thoroughly cleared.

At 10 o'clock yesterday morning the column reached a point a few miles from Taytay, where Gen. Hall was met by Gen. Lawton, who had already entered the town and found it deserted.

Gen. Hall's objective point was Antipola, ten miles off, and there was desultory firing and all along the line of march. The gunboats could be heard shelling the hills in advance of the column.

The column, after driving the rebels from the foothills near Maria Chino about noon Saturday with a loss of but two or three slightly wounded proceeded with all possible haste forward, to Laguna de Bay, the fourth cavalry in the lead, the Oregon company next.

At 5 o'clock these three regiments fought their second battle of the day and it resulted like the first, in the complete rout of a large Filipino force located in the mountains and having every advantage of position.

In this fight the American loss was four killed, three of the fourth cavalry, and one Oregonian, and about fifteen wounded.

The Filipino loss could not be ascertained, but the terrific fire which the Americans poured into them for half an hour must have inflicted severe punishment. Antipola was easily taken.

DIXIE DOINGS.

The Ely dry goods store, at Paducah, Ky., burned. Loss \$16,000.

A coal barge, heavily laden, sank off Cape Henry, Va. The crew escaped.

By an explosion in a mine at Pratt City, Ala., John Parker, a convict, was blown to pieces.

Hon. G. L. Ross, president of the Knoxville, Tenn., chamber of commerce, dropped dead.

The remains of Dr. G. A. Thompson, who died at Shreveport, La., were shipped to Crawfordsville, Ind.

John Tyce of Atlanta, Ga., while on a visit to his son at Mobile, Ala., received word that his wife was dead. He poisoned himself and died.

While intoxicated, Joe Pate, a miner at Newcastle, Jefferson county, Alabama, shot into a crowd, killing Henry Goldsweatherby, a respected citizen. Pate resisted arrest, and was wounded and taken to jail.

Bert, Walter and Will Yarborough, brothers, and Charles Campbell and his brother-in-law, Jesse Surginer, had a street fight at Athens, Ala. Surginer and Bert Yarborough were fatally wounded, Will Yarborough dangerously shot and Campbell badly beaten up.

To be Retried.

Paris, June 5.—The court of cassation Saturday rendered a verdict in favor of a revision of the Dreyfus case and ordering a new court-martial to sit at Rennes, sixty miles from Nantes, for the trial of the prisoner.

Previous to the announcement of the verdict the crowds outside assembled at the palace of justice and its neighborhood, awaiting the decision. Perfect calm prevailed. The decision says the prisoner is to be retried on the following questions:

"Is Dreyfus guilty of having in 1884 practiced machinations or of having had communication with a foreign power of its agents, with the view of facilitating acts of hostilities in the case of war with France, or having furnished the means therefor by furnishing documents retracted on the bordereau?"

The audience received the decision with cries of "Vive la justice!" "Vive la loi!"

The Congress.

Wichita, Kan., June 3.—Yesterday was resolution day for the Trans-Mississippi congress. Debate was warm, but never acrimonious over the recommendations to be urged upon the congress relative to Federal aid to state irrigation projects, subsidies for merchant marine and grain freight rates discrimination by railway lines as between domestic shipments and shipments for export.

The congress adopted resolutions favoring arid land cession to states and subsidies to merchant marine and denouncing preference in rates to grain for export.

Resolutions were adopted indorsing the Louisiana purchase fair and urging favorable congressional action upon the \$5,000,000 congressional loan and of the plan to raise the desired \$15,000,000 fair fund.

The congress indorsed "free homes" and the opening of Indian reservation lands; statehood for all the territories establishment of two new cabinet officers—mines and mining, and commerce and industry—and the establishment of a national academy for training consular officers and taking their appointment out of politics.

A plan was adopted looking to a permanent organization and providing of a fund for expenses of the congress by admitting to membership any person in Trans-Mississippi territory on payment of an annual fee of \$5. In the resolutions committee interest centered on the stubborn fight on the irrigation resolutions. The issue was squarely made between those who urged that the Trans-Mississippi congress should wholly indorse the policy of the national irrigation congress advocating Federal storage reservoirs and the leasing of the public grazing lands by the states without cession as against those who advocated the absolute and unconditional cession of all the public lands to the states and territories. After a long and stubborn fight an agreement was reached in the committee unqualifiedly indorsing the resolutions and policy of the national irrigation congress. These resolutions were adopted by the entire Trans-Mississippi congress with but one dissenting voice.

Houston, Tex., was selected for the next meeting and I. Richardson of that city elected secretary.

On freight discrimination the congress resolved: "The rates on wheat and corn and the manufactures thereof should be made the same per 100 pounds, and as a difference in the rates now exists between these and other commodities in raw material and manufactured articles from that material, the interstate commerce commission shall be requested to have all such differentials removed as soon as possible."

The Ticket.

Columbus, O., June 3.—The Republican state convention nominated the following ticket: For governor, George K. Nash, of Franklin; for lieutenant governor, John A. Caldwell of Hamilton; for supreme judge, W. Z. Davis of Marion; for auditor, Walter D. Gilbert or Noble; for treasurer, Isaac B. Cameron of Columbiana; for attorney general, James M. Sheets of Putnam; for member of the board of public works, Frank A. Huffman of Van Wert.

The administration was endorsed and trusts denounced.

Supposed Swindle.

Little Rock, Ark., June 3.—A letter of inquiry from the executor of a New York estate addressed to State Treasurer Little has unearthed a bond swindle which already amounts to \$175,000, and which the state officials believe may, on investigation, run up into the millions. The letter reveals the fact that fraudulent state bonds have been successfully floated, but the extent of the swindle cannot yet be approximated. The letter is from William L. Jauesq, 158 West 119th street, New York City.

One-tenth of the wheat crop around Geneva, N. Y., has been destroyed by the Hessian fly.

Hopkins Withdraws.

Chicago, June 3.—Congressman A. J. Hopkins yesterday withdrew from the speakership contest in favor of Col. D. B. Henderson of Iowa. Nine of the fourteen congressmen in the Illinois delegation were present at the general round-up meeting held in the Grand Pacific hotel. After four hours' discussion behind closed doors it was decided to withdraw Mr. Hopkins' name and support Col. Henderson.

Troops A and F of the fourth cavalry have been ordered to Manila.

Said to Have Confessed.

London, June 3.—The Daily Chronicle says that Major Comte Ferdinand Walsin Esterhazy called at his office last evening (Friday) with a confidential friend, and after declaring that the time had arrived when the whole truth should be told, although hitherto by reason of constant orders and inducements, he had kept silence on the essential point, made the following statement:

"The chiefs of the army have disgracefully abandoned me. My cup is full and I shall speak out.

"Yes," raising his voice and glaring around, "it was I who wrote the bordereau. I wrote it upon orders received from Sandherr."

Esterhazy, the Chronicle says, then proceeded to explain that for months before 1893 moral proofs had been obtained of leakages which were only possible through officers belonging to the ministry of war, and it was necessary to catch the guilty party by material evidence. Hence the bordereau.

When asked what the chiefs of the French general staff would say to his confession, Esterhazy, shrugging his shoulders, disdainfully replied:

"They will lie as they know how to lie, but I have them tight. I have proofs that they knew the whole thing and share the responsibility with me and I will produce the proofs.

He then denounced the chiefs as a set of scoundrels who have abandoned me basely," and added:

"But at one time they used to come to thank Madame Pays for assistance."

Esterhazy asserted that quite recently the chiefs sent M. Laguerre, a former deputy, to London with seductive offers to him to keep silence.

"Now they are using threats," he shouted, "but I will not be deterred."

The Daily Chronicle got Esterhazy to sign the notes of the interview.

Peace Conference.

The Hague, June 3.—The special committee to which projects have been referred has decided unanimously to discard all projects not coming directly within the precise aim of the conference. The third committee has finished the work treating upon good offices and mediation. It has welded the various projects into one which will be submitted for discussion immediately. When the discussion is concluded the committee will resume the examination, drafting a single arbitration scheme based on the various projects submitted.

Imprisoned.

Paris, June 3.—The arrest of Lieut. Col. du Paty de Clam, who in 1894 was commissioned to investigate the first charges made against Dreyfus, was ordered after the minister of war, M. Krantz, had consulted with Premier Dupuy. The prisoner who is confined in the military prison of Cherche Midi, is charged with forgery and uttering forgery. It is not yet known whether he will be tried before a court-martial or a disciplinary court.

Warship Launched.

Kiel, June 3.—The German warship built to replace the ironclad Kaiser Wilhelm was launched here in the presence of Emperor William, who named her Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse. The duchess of Baden performed the christening.

There was a brilliant gathering of cabinet officers at the launching. The party ascended a platform and the emperor made a speech.

Train Robbery.

Omaha, Neb., June 3.—The Union Pacific officials report a robbery of the westbound train No. 14, which left the city Thursday morning. Just before daylight yesterday, in the midst of a drenching rain, the train was held up just beyond Wilcox, Wyo. The robbers blew up the express car with dynamite, severely wounding the engineer, and then escaped to the mountains.

A saloonist was held up at Houston by two colored highwaymen and relieved of \$19 and a lot of cigars and tobacco.

Search Abandoned.

New Orleans, La., June 3.—George Woodland, the Chicago banker, with Mrs. Woodland, returned here last night from the mouth of the Mississippi river, after a vain search for the body of their daughter, Miss Marjorie Woodland, who was a victim of the Paul Jones' disaster. There is now little hope of finding any more bodies.

Yellow fever is raging at Bahia, Brazil.

Still in Force.

Austin, Tex., June 1.—State Health Officer Blunt stated yesterday that he would not relax in the least the quarantine which he established against New Orleans on account of the yellow fever case in that city.

He said an investigation showed that the deceased patient had not been out of New Orleans for two years, and he therefore must have contracted the disease there.

The quarantine is a serious financial blow to the Southern Pacific company, as it is probable that Texas will keep up her quarantine against New Orleans until cold weather sets in, several months from now.

Unless there is a spread of the epidemic, Dr. Blunt will permit through freight to and from New York and San Francisco to pass through Texas via the Southern Pacific in sealed cars.

No special permits will be issued to any one to enter Texas from New Orleans.

He Died.

Galveston, Tex., June 1.—The unknown man who was found in Fat alley about midnight Tuesday died at the Sealy hospital at 3 o'clock yesterday morning. When found he was unconscious and remained so up to the time of his death. A search of his clothing and a critical examination of his body failed to disclose any article or mark which would give a clue to his identity. He is supposed to have come from Beaumont. When found he wore a dark sack coat and dark jeans trousers. He had three pipes in his pockets and wore a pearl scarf pin with a gold initial "M" on it. He appeared to be about 35 years of age and was of light complexion.

At a late hour last night Special Officer Jordan and Night Sergeant of Police Pither arrested F. A. Brooks, A. B. Rooks and Maggie Rose on a charge of murder. The trio are now confined in the county jail.

Gen. Hawthorne Dead.

Dallas, Tex., June 1.—Gen. A. T. Gen. A. T. Hawthorne died last night at his home, No. 173 Kentucky street. The deceased who was 73 years old, was a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars, having served through the latter with honor on the Confederate side as a brigadier general. He had been an invalid for years, but his condition had been regarded as serious for only two weeks prior to his death, which it is said was due to a complication of diseases. Gen. Hawthorne leaves a wife and one son.

Wedded in a Buggy.

Sherman, Tex., June 1.—Two vehicles drove up to the residence of Mr. C. W. Moore, North Willow, between College and Brackett streets, and a gentleman alighted from one of the vehicles and inquired if a Methodist clergyman did not reside there. When answer in the affirmative, he asked to see him, and Rev. S. P. Ulrich, pastor of the Willow Street Methodist church, was presented to him.

Briefly the nocturnal caller informed Mr. Ulrich that he wished him to celebrate the rites of matrimony, which he did.

Gill Appointed.

Austin, Tex., June 1.—Gov. Sayers yesterday appointed Judge W. H. Gill of Palestine to the position of judge of the court of civil appeals of the Galveston district, to succeed Judge Williams, who was recently appointed to the supreme court bench. Judge Gill is well and favorably known to the bar of the state.

He occupies the office of judge of the third judicial district, and was indorsed for the position to which the governor yesterday appointed him by all of the bar at Palestine.

Searching Party.

Corsicana, Tex., June 1.—A posse of men, led by a deputy sheriff, are searching for the remains of John Rollins, a young farmer, who disappeared from the Corbet neighborhood on the 21st of April. He started from the place where he had been working, for Corsicana.

Rollins had in a bank here a sum of money, which, it is now claimed, was drawn out on forged checks, and the belief is strong that this had something to do with his disappearance.

State Health Officer Saunders of Alabama says he apprehends no further fear of yellow fever.

Granbury, Tex., will soon be lighted by electricity.