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**News From the
Oil Fields**

Lee Johnson who was here from Waurika yesterday reports that another driller has been employed to sink the well at Sugden near Waurika deeper. The hole is now down about seventeen hundred feet and the first driller is unable to go deeper and has abandoned drilling.

Mr. Heppler, field foreman of the Corsicana Oil Company is convalescing from a case of fever. He has been in the Wichita Falls Sanitarium for the past ten days.

Drilling progress on the test well for the Culberson Oil Company, which well is being drilled near Bacon Sliding about six miles north of town, is progressing in a most satisfactory manner, the hole already being drilled to a depth of over one hundred feet, and the drillers have not yet been at work a full week. The nature of the earth formation so far encountered has been red mud and rock, a circumstance which has rendered drilling comparatively easy, although a strata may soon be pierced through which progress will not be very rapid. The well is expected to be completed within the next ninety days.

C. B. Shaffer, a prominent oil man from Pittsburg, Pa., is in the city investigating the surrounding oil fields.

Will McBride, one of the largest independent oil operators in the country, arrived last night from St. Louis and will spend several days in the oil fields near this city.

The Bellevue Oil and Gas Company was chartered at Austin last week. The company has an authorized capital stock of \$25,000. The incorporators are John S. Campbell, W. L. Davis, J. K. Gault and others.

The new oil company recently organized at Bellevue, has let no grass grow under its feet. It has already contracted with Electra people for the sinking of a two thousand foot test well near that place.

A deed was filed for record today transferring a tract of Wagoner Colony land from P. A. Chapman to the Red River Oil Company. The consideration was \$7,000.

Dr. W. N. Bunkley and associates at Stamford have contracted with Coogan and Curry for sinking a test well near that city. Work is to be started at once and the well will be drilled to a depth of 2,000 feet unless oil or gas is found in paying quantities before that depth is reached.

Bowman Items.

Miss Nellie Williams, of Oklahoma is visiting her friend, Miss Steffen. John and Willie Mahler visited home folks Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Bohn is visiting Mrs. Mayer, in Wichita.

Bishop Horn preached an eloquent sermon here Friday evening.

Misses Brownie and Blue Bell Block visited Miss Bohn Sunday.

No services were held in the church here Sunday as most of the congregation attended the dedication services at Wichita.

Rev. Bulgren moved into the parsonage last Thursday. We extend to him a cordial welcome.

Frank Bohn visited friends and family Sunday.

Misses Nora and Dora Taylor visited Wichita Falls last week.

Will Krebs visited friends here Sunday.

T. B. Taylor and son, Raymond were business visitors in Wichita Falls Thursday.

Rev. Wellner, accompanied by Rev. Emil, passed through here Monday afternoon enroute to Atwood.

Miss Lillie Mahler has returned home after an extended visit to friends in Temple.

All That Survived Wellman's Trip.

Many who are following the fortunes of the Vaniman balloon confess that their chief interest lies in the fate of the cat—Derott Journal.

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representative of the Union Petroleum Company which recently purchased the Barnsdate properties in the Mid-continent field, is registered at the Westland and will investigate the field at Electra. The Union Petroleum Company is controlled by French and Dutch capital and is now one of the biggest oil companies in the world. So far it has secured no holdings in the field here.

Mr. James Willis, one of the leading business men of DeWol, Okla., is in the city today. In speaking of his town he said that a company of local business men had been organized to drill for oil, and that they had organized with a capital of \$10,000, already paid in, and would begin operations just as soon as the machinery could be had. He also stated that the men with whom he was associated were thoroughly satisfied that there was oil to be had there, and that they were going down at least 2,000 feet to find it.

Another oil development company will be at work within a few days within six miles of Lawton. The Epstein Oil Company Friday hauled tents, supplies, drill, etc., to the farm of Gus Martin, six miles east of the city and only about one mile from the spot where the Marple drill is being operated. Tents and utensils were put in place Friday and just as soon as the engine arrives, which will be today or Sunday, work will be commenced. The Epstein company is said to have headquarters in Pittsburg. Certain it that it

is shortly going to be demonstrated whether or not there is oil in this immediate section and confidence is strong that it is here. News of a gusher would listen awfully good at the present time, or in the near future.—Lawton News.

Notes From Electra.

The following notes from the field appeared in the Electra News:

Corsicana Petroleum Company No. 1, on the S. E. Honaker tract is drilling 1015 feet.

Corsicana Co., Allen Nos. 3 and 4, were started Wednesday and Brewster No. 2 was started yesterday.

C. P. Broecht No. 1 is drilling at 700 feet.

C. P. Co., Woodruff 2 is drilling at 700 feet and No. 1 on the same tract is full of oil at 900 feet.

The Wichita Oil Company's well on the Buerbaum tract is still shut down. Buerbaum & Co., Douglas No. 1 is reaming at 1110 feet.

Producers Company, Beat No. 1 is drilling at 1870 feet and has had no sand to amount to anything.

There is quite a fishing job on the Flusche No. 1.

Showers No. 1, south of Harrod is drilling at 1870 feet.

Corsicana Petroleum Company, Putnam 7 is good for about 200 barrels. Ramsey & Robbins No. 1, on block 7, Woodruff Heights, started pumping last Saturday at 1122 feet deep, making 250 barrels.

C. P. No. 1 on the S. E. Honaker tract, being drilled by the Wolf Drilling Co., is drilling at 1015 feet.

Shamrock Is Expected.

Shamrock, Texas, Nov. 27.—Shamrock is apparently slated for a big oil or gas boom—or maybe both booms—in the near future. While Shamrock is replete with the harvest and market values of cotton, corn, the small grains, milo maize, kafir corn, and also of beef and pork—she is apparently to have, within the next 90 days either a big oil or gas well—or perhaps both.

The new drilling Shamrock oil and gas well—recently passing into the hands of the Victoria Securities Co., 79 Wall street, New York City, is now down 1,000 feet, and sinking at the rate of twenty-five feet per day, with a late replacing of the former rotary machinery by standard drilling tools, at a replacing cost of \$2,000.

Well Superintendent A. J. Puraley

states that well, which has an 8 inch bore, will be put down to a maximum depth of 3,000, a level which is below the average oil or gas depths of the Oklahoma and Colorado and gas fields, and also below that of the Electra, Texas, wells.

Oil and gas can, therefore, be expected at any depth between the present 1,000 drilled feet and the 3,000 foot maximum well level. The well has already developed an abundant deposit of water so strong in saline contents as to be a natural brine, which can be profitably utilized in commercial salt manufacture.

To Drill In Kiowa County.

The Kiowa County Democrat of this week, says in part:

Drilling for oil will soon be commenced in this vicinity by the Otter Valley Oil and Gas Company, which was given a charter November 13th, for that purpose.

D. S. Thompson, of Tulsa, was here that day arranging with the incorporators for all necessary machinery and work will be started as soon as the machinery can be secured.

Some of the most reliable business men of Oklahoma are back of this proposition and it is bound to go. When such men are J. E. Williams, John G. Willis, G. W. Wilcox, E. V. Hakestraw and Carl D. Pryer, secure a charter to drill for oil, you may rest assured that they mean business.

They guarantee to drill two wells each 2,000 feet deep and their word is sufficient guarantee that the work will be done.

Nearly three quarters of the stock has already been subscribed and the work will be pushed as rapidly as conditions will permit.

In every direction from Snyder oil is being struck.

To the north, are the Gotege fields which have produced oil and gas for seven years, but these holdings were quickly taken up by the Standard and have not been properly developed.

Dr. G. T. Netherton of Gallatin, Mo., who is now in the city has just leased his three thousand acre ranch eight miles south of Holliday and ten miles northwest of Archer City to the Eastern Oil Company, which will probably sink a test well thereon at an early date.

J. P. Van Allen, vice president of the Big Pasture Oil and Gas Company of Frederick, Okla., is visiting in the

city today. Mr. Van Allen's company is now drilling for oil near Loveland. It has extensive leases in Tillman and Comanche counties.

H. V. Thomas, of Buffalo, New York general manager of the Eastman Oil Company, is here to inspect his company's holdings at Electra and elsewhere. This company is represented here by S. C. Reed, who has acquired for the company valuable and extensive leases, which it is understood are soon to be developed.

Dr. Hirschel, the noted Swiss geologist representing the Union Petroleum Company owned by a big French syndicate, left this afternoon for New York City, from whence he sails on December 1st for his home at Geneva, Switzerland. Dr. Hirschel has been in America several months in the interest of the French syndicate and it was upon his favorable report that this syndicate purchased the Barnsdate properties in the Mid-continent field. Dr. Hirschel, it has been learned expects to visit the field here again in March.

Trickham Gas Pressure Increase.

Brownwood, Texas, Nov. 28.—Citizens of this place who have returned from inspecting the Trickham gas field report the well there to be increasing in gas flow. At first the pressure tested 300 pounds, but it now is 365. Another well is going down near the first one bored, and it is said that others will be put down at once in order to give a thorough field for capacity, before any effort is made to pipe gas to Brownwood. If, for any reason, the proposition made by the Trickham company be rejected, there will be a hole put down here at once.

When the strike was made by the Trickham company stock was then being subscribed in the city to make a test drilling for gas, as it is well known that quantities of it underlie the town, this having been learned when drilling for oil, the gas tapped having always been piped off in boring deeper for the former.

Hot Springs, Ark., will get the bulk of the big leaguers during the training season. The Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Brooklyn and Cincinnati teams of the National league, and the Cleveland and Boston teams of the American league will work out among the Ozarks.

Iowa Park Notes.

Last Friday being the day set apart by the Parent-Teachers Association to celebrate Thanksgiving the program was carried out in full by the association at this place to a crowded house. Miss Dabney of Wichita Falls gave two readings, which were much appreciated. The program was as follows:

Music—Orchestra.
America—Supt. Ramsey.
Music—Orchestra.
Welcome Address—Miss Myrtle Munden.

Response—Mrs. J. B. Sisk.
Thanksgiving, How Observed:
(a) In the Home—Mrs. Brown.
(b) In the School—Supt. Ramsey.
(c) In the Church—Rev. H. B. Johnson.

(d) In the Nation—Mrs. Conklin.
Music—Orchestra.

Revs. Blankenship and Morgan returned Saturday night from Waco, where they had been in attendance at the State convention.

Rev. H. B. Johnson and family returned Friday from Gainesville, where they had been attending conference and visiting with relatives.

Miss Gera Davis returned home Sunday after a few days visit with her friend, Mrs. Warren, near Clara.

Work which was begun on the oil well on the Overby place is progressing nicely!

Supt. Ramsey, Misses Burns, Armstrong, Denny, Crane, Sisk and Hardeman are attending the institute at the Falls this week.

Mr. T. W. Phillips returned Sunday morning from Fort Worth, where he had been serving on the federal grand jury.

Miss Clara Lawrence left Friday night after a few days visit with her parents, on her way from North Carolina to Athalia, Texas, where she will take charge of a school.

A deal was consummated a few days ago by means of which Napier & McKelvey purchased from Jenne & Wallace, the Wichita Garage, between Indiana and Ohio avenues, on what is known as Wall street. Jenne & Wallace will engage in other business. Both Napier & McKelvey are machinists of many years experience, and will no doubt make a success of their latest venture. They will appreciate the patronage of all of the former customers of the Wichita Garage, as well as the patronage of any new ones who will give them their trade.

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No, Mabel Yuan Shi Ai, is not a college yell, but the name of China's first premier," remarks the editor of "Questions and Answers" column in one of our exchanges.

The millions Mr. Carnegie is now giving to this cause will doubtless help to relieve his conscience a whole lot, but if they could be restored to those from whom they were first extorted it would be better.

There is some talk in papers outside the state of Congressman John H. Stephens becoming a senatorial candidate at the next election, but the rumor lacks confirmation.

Norman E. Mack has given it out that the time and place for the holding of the next National Democratic Convention will be decided at a meeting of the National Committee to be held in Washington, D. C., on January 8th.

In the state of Washington women are allowed to vote and sit on juries but it is a noticeable fact that when a case is to be tried in which a woman is the defendant, she generally manages to keep off the jury all women.

Just about the time the politicians were about to fall out among themselves as to which of them was or should be entitled to the bulk of the honor of working up that Wall Street surplus cotton holding scheme, along comes Peter Radford, president of the Farmers' Union of Texas, and turns loose a whole tankful of cold water on the exposition.

Evangelist Ham has selected for his subject for tomorrow afternoon, "City Built With Blood." The meeting is to begin at 3 p. m. at the Tabernacle and is for men only.

Electra, Tex., looks more and more like a genuine field every day. Twenty-two arrests the past week for dynamite, street fights and assaults will attempt to kill, next to the finding of the oil itself, is the most favorable indication. Now, if it is a real live field, a few killings are in line—oil and Gas Journal.

Right here is where Electra will prize several other oil fields. The people of that town stand for decency and law and order and in the state they are backed by the great majority of the oil men and workers in the old field.

Among the twenty-seven arrested, before the oil field began to develop Electra the most peaceable and law abiding places in Northwest Texas. The influx of oil men has not changed the community in that particular.

If the man or corporation that proposes to organize a scheme by which \$25 per bale can be advanced to farmers in order that it can be held for a higher price had proposed to share in any decline in the price of cotton from the time the loan or advance is made and the date it is sold or finally disposed of, as well as to share in the advance of the price, it would look a little more reasonable.

Thanks to Col. Ed Howard of the Wichita Times for a copy of the War Cry. Being a prohibitionist, and in full enjoyment of the financial prosperity incident to an environment of excessive wealth—a spiritual oasis in a desert extending from Fort Worth to New Mexico, a dry democrat always ready to swear to "blame him."

Every attempt so far made to reduce cotton acreage has acted the other way in that a very substantial increase in acreage resulted. The best argument that can possibly be advanced in order to successfully bring about a reduction in the acreage of any one crop is to talk and practice diversified farming.

Gov. Colquitt says he is not afraid of the Campbell-Ramsey-Sheppard combine. The gentlemen named Campbell, Ramsey and Sheppard are doubtless very rich, but they are not afraid of the Anheuser-Busch-Budweiser-Co. combine.

When both sides to a political fight declare they are not afraid of each other, the prospects for a lively campaign next year are very promising. The issue seems clear, and the voter will have little trouble in settling the matter in the July primary.

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sition of the money lenders would charge a reasonable amount of interest for the use of their money and the warehousing of the cotton, and let the farmer take his chances on an advance or decline in the price of cotton.

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This woman, by name of Elizabeth Foster whose future songs were one day to become so celebrated, was born in 1665, was married in 1693 to Isaac Goose, and a few years afterward became a member of the Old South Church, Boston.

The greater part of her life was spent in a low, one story house, looking something like an old English country cottage with its dormer windows and red-tiled roof.

The first edition of her songs, which were originally sung to her grand children, was published in Boston in 1716 by her son-in-law, Thomas Fleet.

Mr. Vernon will vote December 16th on bond issue for construction of water works.

"War Cry" was to draw his fire, and if possible cause him to disclose his masked battery.

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In approaching the lesson, it is free in the mind that the leader of the Farmers' Union in Texas only a few days ago issued a warning predicting that this very proposition was almost sure to be made.

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Hints Regarding Oil Locations

By W. M. Stephenson, Baton, Texas

You published an article a few days ago in which you made me say that "oil is found in paying quantities only on anticlines which traverse or cross old sea beds." I must ask you to correct this statement for there is no such thing as an anticline and to say that oil is to be found in sea beds is ridiculous. The sentence should have read: I claim that oil is found in paying quantities only on anticlines which cross old sea beds or sea beds covered with water. My theory, now known as the "Gyffanti theory" postulates that crude petroleum is formed by the chemical action, deep down in the bowels of the earth, of gypsum and limestone; the hydrogen in the gypsum combining with the carbon in the limestone. These two substances were formed in the primordial ocean and were deposited upon evaporation of the seas. The Mississippi basin is an excellent example of this theory, as is California, Nevada and in fact, all of the oil fields of the world thoroughly corroborate this theory. Oil which generated in the Mississippi basin accumulated along the anticlines or ridges paralleling the Allegheny Mountains. This gave rise to the 45 degree theory. As the oil was noticed by the operators to run north 45 degrees east in the states of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, etc., it soon became fully established in the minds of oil operators, scouts, etc., that oil always ran northeast and southwest regardless of the location. When the Electra oil field opened up the prospectors began leasing lands northeast, extending even into Oklahoma. A farmer who lives on the Oklahoma side due northeast of Electra said that an old Pennsylvania oil man told him that oil always went northeast from the pool. This oil man is over 60 years old, and has been in the business all his life, and still he did not know why the oil fields trend northeast and southwest in the states from which he comes. He simply knows they do and that's the limit of his knowledge in that direction.

A peculiar fact to which I wish to call attention is while oil is found in the states of New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky, on the western slopes of the Allegheny Mountains, on the eastern slopes in the states of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and that part of Alabama east of the mountains, not one single field is found. There must be a reason for this. If it had been found promiscuously, as it were, off of the fingers of the Almighty, it would have been found on the eastern slopes as well, but it is not. The reason is plain. The western slopes were once submerged beneath the waters of a sea which upon evaporation deposited the material accumulated beneath the anticline folds or ridges which always paralleled the mountains. While the eastern slopes of the Alleghenies also have parallel ridges, there was no evaporated sea bed on that side, hence no oil producing material has been deposited, and therefore no accumulation.

The Electra and Petrolia oil fields lie in a basin or old sea bed, which is now drained by the Red River, hence we will call this old sea bed the Red River basin. This basin extended from the Wichita and Arbuckle Mountains in Oklahoma on the north to the Llano Mountains in Texas on the south. During Devonian time this basin was covered with water, and as it drained away vast swamps were seen in evidence, which supported vegetable growth most luxuriantly and upon being submerged by later inundations, caused the vegetation to be converted into coal as at Bridgeport, Thurber, Strawn, etc., in Texas. The evidences of the accumulations of oil in remote in these low lands, while petroleum is found in basins, it must be where a ridge or anticline crosses that basin so as to afford a receptacle for its accumulation. There are two of these anticlines south of the Wichita Mountains under which oil has accumulated in vast quantities.

An advance over what the other company was paying.

A rumor that the Pierce-Fordyce Oil Association and the Texas Company had made a working agreement, which confirmation, as the plans of the Pierce-Fordyce refinery, at Fort Worth, in opposition to the Texas Company's plant at Dallas, would seem to disprove the rumor.

The Gulf Refining Company will build a refinery at Fort Worth and will buy a six inch line from its station at Dallas, Texas, on its Oklahoma Texas line to the new refinery. The distance of about 125 miles. The refinery will be about 5,000 or 6,000 barrels capacity daily.

Materials for the line and refinery have been ordered and the work of constructing both will be pushed as rapidly as possible. The new refinery of the Gulf will be in a position to practically command the refined as well as the fuel oil business of Fort Worth and surrounding territory, the fuel business of that city being very large on account of the parking houses and factories located there.

There is another move in the game for the control of the oil business in Texas, the Gulf being determined to maintain its supremacy in the fuel oil business of that state at least.

With the announcement of the Pierce-Fordyce Oil Association to build a \$1,000,000 refinery at Fort Worth, that city will be well supplied.

The Gulf will have an advantage over that company as it will use its Oklahoma oil to run its refinery, while the Pierce-Fordyce Company will have to depend on the oil it will be able to purchase. The Gulf Company purchased a block of land in the Electra field and has been waiting for the field to develop, before starting operations. As it is located close to the pool, there is nothing to indicate that it is not productive and it may be that from this property it will be able in a large measure to supply the new refinery at Fort Worth, Texas.

The Magnolia Petroleum Company is planning to do an extensive business in all branches of the oil business. Not only has it plans for 76 distributing stations in Texas for refined products, but it is actively engaged in the fuel oil business, selling Mexican crude and residuum from Caddo crude. The company is also in the producing business, operating in the Electra field, having a production of 6,500 barrels in that field and is drilling some wells near the Louisiana line close to the Caddo field, having a small production in this district.

The name of the producing company is the Corsicana Petroleum Company, successor to the Clayco Company, and its success in the Electra field has been very encouraging. Up to about ten months ago, the Magnolia Petroleum Company was in the same shape that the Pierce-Fordyce Association was. The oil security refinery, which it succeeded, had been ousted from Texas at the same time that the Waters-Pierce Oil Company had, and when purchased by John Seely, of Galveston, its business was very small. It too was forced to depend on oil purchased by other companies, the Gulf Refining

THE BUILD PIPE LINES.

During the Caddo boom, the Magnolia Petroleum Company planned to build a line from the Caddo field to either the Beaumont or Corsicana refinery, or both and to that end a survey was made and a right of way secured. The Caddo field was proved to contain a pipe line for a company that did not own its production, did not look very attractive and so the line has not been built. When the Electra field began to boom up as a big pool, with 41 degrees gravity oil the Magnolia Petroleum Company made plans to lay a line from Electra to Corsicana, a distance of 180 miles. A right of way has been taken and there is no doubt but that such a line will be constructed. D. C. Stewart, former vice president and general manager of the Oklahoma Pipe Line Company, has accepted a position with the Magnolia Petroleum Company, and will look after that company's pipe line interests when its lines are completed. With Electra supplying the Corsicana refinery and Caddo supplying the Beaumont refinery, the Magnolia Petroleum Company will be in good luck to do business in Texas.

That the company is going into the fuel oil business actively, is shown by the fact that it recently made a contract with the St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexico (Strico) railway for 375,000 barrels of Mexican crude. The Magnolia Company is importing crude oil in considerable quantities from Mexico and will no doubt fill its future contracts with that kind of oil, as well as the Caddo residuum. The latter gets very bad in cold weather and the Mexican crude has been found to be of considerable value mixed with this residuum. Paraffin residuum gives considerable trouble when the temperature is below 60° F. After the recent cold spell a few days ago in Texas, a deposit of paraffin was found in the bottom of some tank cars that was too thick to run and strings of thick as a man's nose were found in tanks containing kerosene from this kind of oil.

Recent tests showed that paraffin resins at a temperature below 60° F. would not make good fuel for the motorcars in them, the worse they will be. In combination with the Mexican oil it has been found that they give satisfactory service as fuel.

Of the two remaining companies, the Gulf Refining Company is in a better shape to meet any strong competition than its competitor, the Texas Company. The Gulf Refining Company owns its own production of the lines and is, therefore, enabled to put oil into its refinery cheaper than the Texas Company. The latter company owns but very little production, buying the bulk of its oil from the Producers Oil Company.

The Gulf Refining Company exports far more oil in refined products and as a great many larger fuel oil contracts many of which were formerly made with the Texas Company.

It is between the Magnolia Petroleum Company and the Pierce-Fordyce Oil Association, a war should start which could be the cutting of refined products in Texas, of the two other companies, the Gulf Refining Company could be in very much better shape to compete with these companies than the Texas Company would be present. It is reported that the Texas Company's storage is full, which would indicate a falling off in its refined output. That it has been unable to handle all the Producers Oil Company's oil in the Caddo field is evident by the fact that the Standard Oil Company of Louisiana is helping out the Producers Company by running a portion of its oil. Officials of the Producers Oil Company have several offerings offered some of it to the Gulf Refining Company, and to the Standard Oil Company because the Texas Company has been unable to handle it. Nor is this because the production of that company has always been such as to preclude the possibility of a pipe line handling it.

BUYING GAS RIGHTS.

A new turn is being taken in the oil and gas fields recently in the purchase of gas rights on lands. Heretofore the policy pursued has been to lease the oil, gas and mineral rights, but now agents of the big companies are buying the gas rights alone, and in some cases they have paid as high as \$25 an acre. Three thousand and two

Notice to Stockholders.

You are hereby notified that a called meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers Supply Co. of Wichita Falls, Texas, will be held at the company's office on Saturday, Dec. 2, 1911, at 6 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of transacting important business, or such other business as may properly come before the meeting. Signed:

H. G. Kattenbrock, Pres.
J. L. McConkey, Sec.

67 St. Wt.

A company is being organized at Brownwood to prospect for gas and

THE STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF LOUISIANA has been organized to produce oil from the Caddo field. The company is being organized to produce oil from the Caddo field. The company is being organized to produce oil from the Caddo field.

GRANDFIELD OIL CO. HAS BEEN ORGANIZED

(Grandfield Enterprise)

The Grandfield Oil and Gas Company has received its charter and is now ready to talk business. W. E. Lindbald having returned Tuesday from Oklahoma City with the document. Upon receipt of the charter the stockholders met Wednesday and organized with a permanent set of officers as follows: W. R. Harrington, president; Chas. E. Lawrence, vice president; W. E. Lindbald, secretary; Roy C. Smith, treasurer. The directorate is composed of the officers and the following names: Jake Ring, J. E. Harrington and O. H. Martels.

This is the only company in the big Pasture now, or will be for a long time, which means immediate development near Grandfield. The new Red Oil Company is all right, and should be encouraged but every one knows they intend to develop half leases out of Randlett first they are under contract to do so before the Enterprise as a loyal champion of Grandfield naturally has sympathies with that proposition which means most to the Grandfield country. This is the way we all feel about it, and it is a position which no man can justly find fault with.

The Grandfield Oil and Gas Company has the money in the bank and a guarantee that they will be drilling in thirty days if all unleased land surrounding the Harrington property can be secured, but the president of the company has assured this writer that if the land holders show a disposition to "buck" the proposition the charter will be surrendered and the company dissolved. It will certainly be a long time before any other oil company gets around to their identity with a drilling outfit. This company is organized for immediate business on a business basis and its treasurer is under \$10,000, fidelity bond and everything is shipshape and ready for work. Whether they go forward or stop short is up to the land owners; and they want this made absolutely clear and plain to everybody so that no one will follow his prospects by misunderstanding the true situation. Everybody must take the chances for either or no chances will be taken.

MAY ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE

HILLES, SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT, TALKS ABOUT STATE EXPRESSION OF CANDIDATE.

OHIO IS BATTLE GROUND

Importance of Development Lies in Recognizing Principle of Preference So Expressed.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 25.—A far-reaching concession by President Taft to the demands of the progressive spirit in American politics is found in the statement authorized yesterday by C. D. Hilles, secretary to the President, that the Administration will accept in a modified form the challenge of the Ohio progressive Republicans for a state wide expression on Presidential preferences, the result of which shall be binding on Ohio delegates to the National convention.

Secretary Hilles said that he is talking only for himself. "But," he added, "I believe I understand the attitude of the friends of the Administration in Ohio, and that there will be no opposition from them to any kind of a fair test of the sentiment of the Ohio Republicans."

While Secretary Hilles claims to be speaking only for himself, it is evident that he would not speak upon this matter in such a manner unless he were reflecting the present inclination of his chief. The declaration in favor of chasing a Presidential expression in Ohio is taken to mean that the President is not seriously disturbed by the attempted launching of a Roosevelt boom by the Garfield Club in Ohio a few days ago.

Aside from the interest which attaches to the purely political phase of this development as affecting Ohio and the incidental announcement that the active organization of the party in Ohio in behalf of Mr. Taft will be placed in the hands of Senator Burton, who henceforth is to be sole patronage dispenser for the Buckeye State, the importance of the development lies in the recognition by the Administration of the principle of Presidential preference expression, renewed demands for the expansion of which may be expected to come from their Republican States.

There is, however, one point in Secretary Hilles' proposal that may need returning to make it acceptable to the progressives. It is the intimation that the whole State delegation must be bound for or against President Taft according to the sentiment of the voters of the State as a whole. A thing now stand, a split delegation from Ohio is almost certain. The law requires each district to elect its delegates to the National convention. Naturally there will be a Taft candidate and a Roosevelt candidate to stand for election and in some of the districts the progressives are practically certain to win.

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JIL DEVELOPMENTS FROM PETROLIA

The 99 Company are about 10 feet in the sand and are setting the six inch. They are drilling days only and well is watched with much interest.

Work on Byers No. 9 is progressing nicely.

The Lone Star Gas Company will begin a well right away on the Hollis tract, near Taylor No. 2, which is Crotch's first gusher, and the operations will be watched closely.

Pean and Markowitz will drill a well right away in the proven oil and territory one-half mile of the own of Petrolia.

Large quantities of oil continue to be put each day from Petrolia on the main, and everything looks good for an active field here soon.

There are several shallow wells in or headway now.

COLQUITT SCENTS A CONSPIRACY

DECLARES LIGHTFOOT, LANE AND RAMSEY ARE CONSPIRING TO HARASS HIM.

WRITES AN OPEN LETTER

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By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 25.—Governor Colquitt, in an open letter to R. H. Hopkins of Denton, says: "I am thoroughly satisfied that Lightfoot and Lane are being used as conspirators with the hope that they may harass and annoy me in my administration. I am also of the deliberate opinion that Associate Justice Ramsey, candidate against me for Democratic nomination as Governor, is in their confidence and perhaps among their advisers."

Referring to the letter of Assistant Attorney General, Seb F. Caldwell, Governor Colquitt writes: "The comptroller and the clerks in his office seem to be devoting a good deal of their time to letter writing in an effort to create the impression that they have not themselves clerical help necessary to do the work of that office."

The Governor says Hogg and Culbertson had the heaviest litigation in the State's history, and that while Hogg spent \$44,144 for the four years of his administration, Lightfoot wants \$41,580 a year.

FARM WANTED—We have a cash buyer for a good improved 150-acre farm, not too far from city. Must be good and a bargain. H. J. Bachman, Fire Insurance and Real Estate, 722 Ohio avenue.

A municipal waterworks system is being constructed at Dublin.

ASK TERMINATION OF RUSSIAN TREATY

Asks Claims It Gives Russia Right to Discriminate Between American Citizens.

San Antonio, Texas, Nov. 28.—At a joint meeting of the B'nai Zion Association and Maccabean Zionist Society of San Antonio, the members of the two organizations, all American citizens, adopted a resolution urging Congress and the President of the United States to terminate the treaty between the United States and Russia entered into in 1832. By the terms of this treaty Russia claims the right, and it is claimed, uses discriminate between American citizens on the ground of race and religious belief. The resolutions recite that as a consequence American citizens who are Jews are excluded from Russia and are subject to the same class of restrictions as the Russian government imposes upon its own inhabitants who are Jews, all of which is contrary to the plain wording and meaning of the treaty. Copies of the resolution accompanied by petitions will be sent to the United States senators and Congressmen from Texas.

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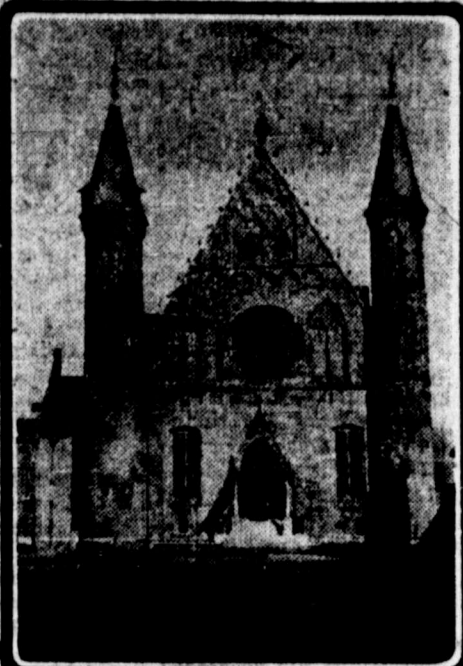
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Sir Chentung Liang, Chinese Delegate



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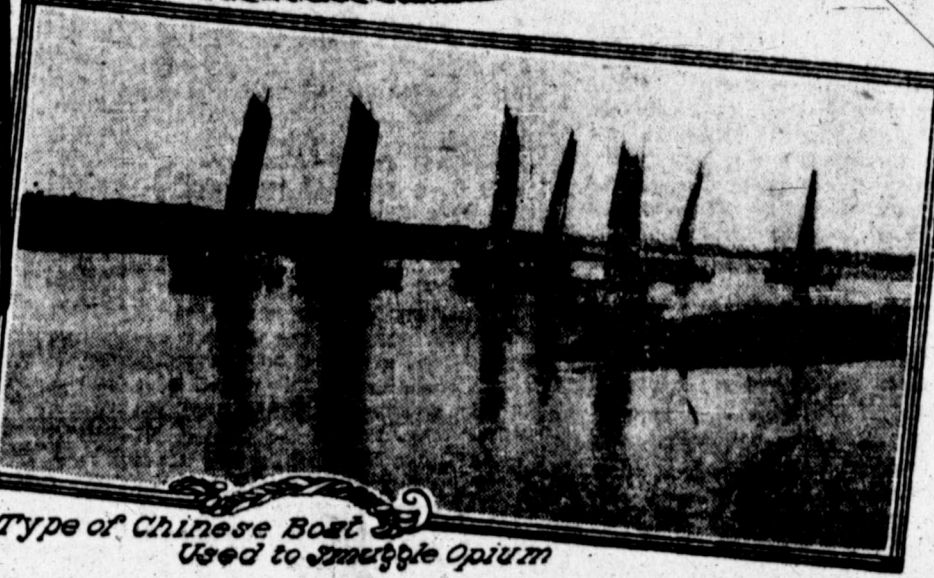
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Queen Wilhelmina's Palace Where the Delegates will be Received



Type of Chinese Boat Used to Smuggle Opium

CHINA is to be released at last, from the bondage of the opium evil which has for so many years hampered the progress and development of the most populous nation on the entire globe. And what is more, it is to be brought about largely through the good offices of the United States. At least it is at the instigation of Uncle Sam that there is to be held at The Hague, beginning on December 1, an anti-opium conference that is likely to take rank as one of the most important of international gatherings. A dozen of the leading powers will be represented by delegates empowered to act, and other members of the family of nations who will not be directly represented have pledged themselves to abide by the decisions of the conference.

Nor must it be supposed that the banishing of opium smoking from the Celestial Empire is the sole object of this cosmopolitan consultation. That might perhaps be called the most spectacular object—the devoutly wished millennium long sought by foreigners in China and by the most progressive Chinamen themselves. However, Uncle Sam in helping to do one favor for China is doing two for himself and most of the other nations are in the same boat. We have an opium problem of our own, here in the United States, and one that has been increasing as a menace very rapidly in recent years. So likewise have most of the European countries. This then is the explanation of why all have been so willing to join hands to regulate and ultimately suppress the opium trade all over the world.

Even this is not all. The crusade which started several years ago as a campaign against opium has expanded in scope until now it includes all the habit forming drugs. To place credit

where it belongs it should be explained that it was our cousin John Bull who proposed that the same restrictions which are to be thrown around the opium traffic should be put in force with reference to morphine and cocaine. Of course, the United States is only too glad to back up the British in this attitude inasmuch as the use of cocaine has in recent years reached alarming proportions in America and its evil effects have been even more conspicuously manifest than in the case of opium.

The selection of the Hague as the meeting place of the Anti-Opium Conference is a most happy one, for the Dutch capital is a rendezvous that is centrally located with reference to the nations that will participate. Then, too, the representatives of the great powers can presumably find their best common meeting place in one of the smaller and presumably neutral countries.

The \$5,000,000 "peace palace" or Arbitration Building which is being erected at the Hague through the generosity of Mr. Andrew Carnegie is nowhere near completion and consequently it is expected that most of the sessions of the Opium Conference will be held in the stately and historic Knights' Hall—the Binnenhof where the International Peace Conference of 1907 was held and where on one momentous day each year Queen Wilhelmina formally opens, with an address from the throne, the sessions of the Dutch legislature. It is expected that the conference will be in session for three months or longer and the especial significance of the Conference lies in the fact that the delegates will have full powers from their respective governments to execute agreements relative to the regulation of traffic in the habit forming drugs. In other words each nation has pledged itself

to put into force the regulations adopted by this group of experts and it is expected that our own Congress will at the coming session carry out Uncle Sam's part of the bargain by enacting such legislation as may be necessary to restrict the traffic in the tabooed drugs to its proper channels.

Twelve nations will be represented at the Hague Conference. The parties to the consultation in addition to the United States, include China, Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Persia, Portugal, Russia and Siam. Austria-Hungary although she will have no delegates in the assembly (owing to her lack of commercial interest in the opium trade) has agreed to accept any reasonable regulations adopted by the conference. Most of the delegations at the Hague will be made up of three, four or five members and inasmuch as each delegation will have one or two secretaries it is expected that there will be not less than fifty or sixty participants. The Netherlands government will arrange the customary social functions in connection with the gathering, including, probably, receptions at Queen Wilhelmina's palace and at the palace of the Queen Mother (Queen Emma), who is quite as popular in Holland as is her daughter.

The Conference at the Hague which has been explained, has been brought about by the United States comes at the climax of agitation that

has extended over a number of years. Uncle Sam's wider interest in the international opium problem and the American effort to find a solution are the outgrowth of Yankee occupation of the Philippines. No sooner had the United States taken over the islands beyond the Pacific than our officials found themselves confronted with a serious problem owing to the presence there of great numbers of Chinese who were confirmed opium smokers. Moreover the vice was spreading rapidly to the native Philippine population. The agitation that resulted served to induce Congress to pass laws prohibiting the importation of opium into the Philippines except for medicinal purposes.

Fully as important as the effect of this turn of affairs in the Philippines was the influence of the object lesson upon China. She saw a friendly power successfully combating at her very doors an evil which, as all progressive Chinamen realized, was sapping the life blood of the empire. There resulted a new anti-opium movement in China and out of this grew a direct appeal to President Roosevelt from representatives of missionary societies there and from commercial institutions in this country to the effect that the United States Government, considering its historical attitude in regard to the opium traffic in the Far East, should take the initiative in assisting China to secure the prohibition of that traffic. That was in 1904, and the movement thus started has progressed steadily until it now seems to be on the eve of full and final realization at the Hague.

The definite idea of an international concert of action with reference to the opium evil came in 1906, when Bishop Charles H. Brent, of the Philippines, wrote to President Roosevelt appealing to him to promote some movement that would gather in its embrace representatives from all the countries where the traffic in and use of opium is a matter of moment. Acting on the suggestion, Elihu Root, who was then Secretary of State in that same year, initiated a correspondence with those powers having possessions in the Far East, the object being the formation of an international commission to study the opium problem as it then appeared in the Orient and to report the wisest measures for its solution. The diplomatic correspondence thus begun in the autumn of 1906, extended over a period of some eighteen months ere it was cordially agreed by all the governments concerned that there should be an International Opium Commission and that it should meet in Shanghai in China on the first of January, 1909.

The Commission was a month late in convening, but when it did get down to work it discussed (at the suggestion of the United States Government) the moral, economic, scientific and political aspects of the opium

problem, not only as seen in the Far East, but as existing throughout the world. This broadening of the scope of the movement occurred because our officials had in the meanwhile awakened to a realization of the extent to which our own country has become contaminated through the abuse of morphine and other opium preparations. The nations represented at Shanghai were virtually the same that will send delegates to the Hague and indeed, the Hague Conference is the sequel and outgrowth of the earlier meeting—a project for completing the work thus inaugurated and for putting into effect the measures which the men gathered at Shanghai could no more than recommend.

The Commission that assembled at Shanghai wrestled with the problem for a month and then in a series of short and concise resolutions recommended to the governments one and all that they overhaul their regulations with reference to the traffic in opium; take measures for the suppression of opium smoking; and restrict the manufacture and sale of morphine. The International Commission at Shanghai having unanimously agreed that the opium vice must cease it was open to our government to propose further international co-operation for the placing of the production and traffic in opium under international law. This they lost no time in doing, and now after many months of correspondence and interchange of views we are to have the great gathering in Holland's capital. And because the ground was so carefully gone over at Shanghai and the problems threshed out the delegates at the Hague will be able to get down immediately to actual work—a condition that would not have been possible without such preliminary activities.

Foremost of the objects to be sought through the Hague Conference will be uniform national laws and regulations throughout the world to control the production, manufacture and distribution of opium and its preparations. Secondly, there is to be regulation by the Universal Postal Union of the transmission of opium through the mails. Then there will be a restriction of the cultivation of the poppy from which opium is derived, and a restriction of the number of ports through which opium

may be shipped by opium producing countries. Uniform marks of identification will be adopted for packages containing opium in international transit, and there will be arranged a reciprocal right of search of vessels suspected of carrying contraband opium.

One of the interesting features of the present project is the stand which China is taking. She has appointed a delegation of her most distinguished men, headed by Sir Chentung Liang Cheng and Dr. Yen (both graduates of American colleges) and is prepared to make war not only upon her traditional enemy, opium, but also upon morphine, which during the past ten years has been consumed in constantly increasing quantities in the Empire. The delegates representing the United States are confronted by virtually the same problems owing to the great numbers of Chinese in this country and in the Philippines. Uncle Sam will have able spokesmen at the Hague. At the head of the delegation is Bishop Brent, who has done so much, all along to promote this movement. Associated with him will be Dr. Hamilton Wright, of the Department of State, and H. J. Finster of California.

The Commissioner's Court of Jones county has appropriated \$500 for a demonstration farm. A like sum will be donated by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Contract has been let by the M. K. & T. Railway for the erection of an 18 story building for its general offices at Dallas.

The Houston & Texas Central Railroad will build 13 miles of branch road in Lee county.

The Waco Sash and Door Company will erect a factory that will cost approximately \$500,000.

The city commission of Dallas is planning to increase the city's water supply by not less than two million gallons a day.

Farmers near Harlington who grew long staple cotton this year received approximately \$30 per bale more than the market price for the ordinary staple.

WILL INVESTIGATE SHAKER MURDER CASE

Kissimmee, Fla., Nov. 28.—Rarely has a grand jury in this State or elsewhere been confronted with a more delicate and difficult task than is the grand jury which met here today to take up the case of the two Shakers, Brother Egbert B. Gillette and Sister Elizabeth Sears, charged with willful murder for having caused the death of another member of the Shaker colony near Ashton, Sister Sadie L. Marchant, on August 22, last, by having administered chloroform to her.

More than ordinary interest is attached to this case and the action of the grand jury will be awaited with sympathetic attention throughout the country, for the case in question involves a striking example of a conflict between humane sympathy and the law and places on the grand jury the burden of deciding whether euthanasia is justifiable under certain conditions or must rigidly be adjudged a crime, no matter what may be the surrounding conditions.

Sister Sadie L. Marchant, one of the members of the small Shaker colony which owns a farm of about 7,000 acres around Lake Alligator, near Ashton, died on August 22, last, after having suffered for some time from consumption. After her death it was rumored that her Shaker friends had relieved her sufferings and at her own request, had assisted her out of her torturous life by administering chloroform to her. The matter was brought to the attention of the authorities and an investigation was made. Brother Gillette and Sister Sears, who had been with Sister Marchant at the time of her death admitted without hesitation that they had helped Sister Marchant to a painless and peaceful death by giving her chloroform.

Upon their own admission Brother Gillette and Sister Elizabeth were arrested and brought before Judge Parker for a preliminary hearing. They repeated their admission and added that they had administered the anesthetic upon the urgent prayer of

Sister Marchant. They stated that Sister Marchant had for a long time suffered from tuberculosis. One of her lungs was completely destroyed by the terrible disease and the ravages of the disease in the other lung caused the patient excruciating pain. Sister Sadie had always longed for a peaceful and painless death, and when the end approached and her sufferings became almost unbearable, she prayed her friends to have mercy and to help her to a quiet and painless death. Upon her own, often expressed wish they had given her the chloroform.

"Before God and man I believe that we did exactly right," declared Brother Gillette and he added that his conscience was perfectly at ease and he did not believe that he had committed a wrong. If his act had been unwise only his great feeling of sympathy for the deceased Sister prompted him to commit it.

After a formal hearing Brother Gillette and Sister Elizabeth were held on a charge of murder, but Judge Parker admitted them to bail. Sister Elizabeth in \$2,000, Brother Gillette in \$5,000. The other members of the colony promptly furnished the bail.

At the same time the coroner began an investigation of the case and on September 6 the body of Sister Sadie was exhumed. The medical examination of the body is said to have shown that the disease of Sister Sadie had not been so far advanced as was stated by Brother Gillette and that, judging from the condition of her lungs she might have lived for some time. The coroner's jury thereupon gave a verdict, finding Brother Gillette guilty of willful murder.

THUNDERBOLT PLAYS STRANGE TRICKS

A Picture of the Crucifixion Appears Upon a Man's Back After He Had Been Burned by a Flash.

Freak lightning which baffles electrical experts during its visits, has played some of the most unaccountable and unexplainable pranks known to man. One of the most remarkable of these pranks have devoted an enormous amount of study to this subject in several instances they have been completely baffled as to its cause and effect.

The latest achievement of freak lightning occurred in Crawfordsville, Ind., a few days ago, when Robert Purcell, the two year old son of D. J. Purcell, was struck by lightning, and according to his mother's story, as a result, the letters T I are visible on the child's left arm. The child was leaning against a chair near the window when a flash of lightning came and the room was filled with light. The boy screamed and ran to his mother, who found that his left arm was burned from the wrist to the elbow. The burn had blistered in such a way that the letters are visible. However, Mrs. Purcell says that they are vanishing. The incident caused so much comment that on the following day Mrs. Purcell closely examined the burned arm with a powerful glass and is positive that she could distinguish the word "lightning" printed on the flesh.

Probably one of the most remarkable pranks ever played by lightning happened August 4, 1904, when Abbott Parker was struck while standing under a large maple tree near his home in Morristown, N. J. In some mysterious manner a picture of the crucifixion became plainly visible on Parker's back some time later while lying in All Souls Hospital, to which he had been removed.

sculptured presentation of the crucifixion. At the time Parker was struck there was no picture of the crucifixion to be seen, nor anything resembling it.

Scientists attempted an explanation by declaring that the man's skin had been sensitized by the lightning, and when exposed to the crucifix, which was the most prominent object near where he lay, acted as a slow photographic plate, but photographers suggested that sensitized plates would not take a picture without the aid of lens, and in this instance there is nothing which could correspond to a lens.

There were so many mysterious factors in this case that one can only accept the facts as having occurred and admit that the explanation of them is beyond him. Of course, the lightning was responsible, but how it wrought this strange thing will probably remain unexplained.

What Every Woman Eats. (Chicago Examiner) New York—Health, private or public depends on food. Morality depends on food. When we are hungry we see things we want. We are not responsible mentally or morally. Hamlet undoubtedly needed a square meal. The starving man will steal without compunction and often commit murder. Many a drunkard is made so by sour bread. New York City is the most vicious and immoral in this country because it lives in restaurants and delicatessens. These epigrams were part of a speech with which Mrs. Winifred Harper Cooley started the delegates to the seventeenth annual convention of the State Federation of Women's Clubs now in session at the Hotel Astor. Mrs. Cooley is the daughter of Dr. Ida Lusted Harper and national secretary of the Associated Clubs of Domestic Science.

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Oysters, 20,000.
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Broad, etc., 11-2 tons.

STRIKE DANGER AVERTED.—Katy Finds Way to Treat With Trainmen's Organizations.

Denison, Texas, Nov. 28.—All danger of a strike of the four railroad men's organizations on the Katy—the conductors, engineers, firemen and trainmen—is averted, according to reliable reports received here. It is stated that letters have been received by the chairman of the four organizations, from W. A. Durham, assistant to President Allen, who has charge of the wage department, in which Mr. Durham states that the company's legal department indicates that means have been secured by which it will be possible to meet the organizations as a unit instead of separating them at the Red River. The letter also states that a conference for the four organizations on the entire system will be arranged within the next two weeks, if possible.

Right of maintaining the integrity of the unions is what they have been contending for during the last three or four months and this point is virtually conceded by the management of the road. When the unions were first informed that it would be necessary to separate them at the Red River, they were told that the action was necessary because it would be illegal for the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company and the Missouri & Texas Railway Company of Texas to meet the men from the entire system jointly.

Denison turkey raisers are shipping between 2,000 and 3,000 birds daily to northern and eastern markets.

