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Some County News.

News From Augusta.

Augusta, Texas, July 26.—Ed. Messenger: The correspondent put in a week at Myrtle Lake assisting in rebuilding the dam, although it was very hot and the work very tedious every one was in a fine humor and the time passed merrily by. In a short time the big dam will be completed, then the stock holders can boast of as fine a lake of water as there is anywhere in East Texas. Returning home from the lake we came by Grapeland and was at the picnic at that place, a large crowd was in attendance but the good people of Grapeland and surrounding country were equal to the occasion and bountifully feasted all present with everything that was good for the inner man. On Tuesday following, the candidates were here in full form, and our picnic as usual was a grand success, the tables were laden with the choicest meats, and cakes suited to the queens taste, every one eat to their hearts content and there was plenty left.

Saturday was election day and everything passed off very quietly with very little interest shown, the enthusiasm of former days seemed to be a thing of the past. The candidates stand one in a hill to day and must go aboard of the packet that will carry them up Salt River, then down the stream of regrets and be emptied into the gulf of forgetfulness there to remain for all time to come, we feel sorry for unfortunates, they are good fellows but if they take their chance they must take their medicine. We have had fine rains recently which will be a great benefit to all growing crops.

Dr. Elliot has gone to Galveston in company with his daughter to have her eyes operated on.

Prof. Sam Kennedy is at home enjoying a much needed rest.

Mr. Long is home from Lovelady where he has been attending the normal.

Kennedy Brothers & McLean & Holcomb have made a large cattle deal with Jno. Arrington of Crockett. Nothing of interest in social circles.

The day is done, the silver sun yields to the queen of gold, the god of power. The dark browed night has begun the task of calling out his choir from field and bower.

Old Gray.

For Constipation.

Mr. L. H. Farnham, a prominent druggist of Spirit Lake, Iowa, says: "Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are certainly the best thing on the market for constipation." Give these tablets a trial. You are certain to find them agreeable and pleasant in effect. Price 25 cents. For sale by Guice & Son.

Latexo Locals.

Latexo, Texas, July 28.—We had preaching Saturday night and Sunday by Rev. J. Bean.

We are having some more good rain, which helps the growth of crops.

Mr. Hilly Cannon of Fairfield

Texas spent a few days here visiting friends and relatives. Mr. Wm Dixon and family are spending a few weeks visiting at Fairfield.

Cotton is opening fast and Mr. Standly will be the first man on market with a bale, for he has got nearly a bale already picked.

Mr. C. E. Hayes has turned the Texas & Louisiana Orchard over to Mr. Gibson from the north.

Mr. Tilley will start his saw-mill to-day.

Our new town is looming up, we have got the streets laid off and cleaned up.

Berry Nates left for Fort Worth to spend the summer.

Red Kid.

Best of All.

R. J. Mayher, No. 406 South Clark St., Chicago, writes as follows:

"I have kept and used your Hunt's Lightning Oil for the last ten years in my family. It is the only kind to have and the best of all."

It cures cuts, burns, bruises, sprains, aches, pains, stings and bites. It kills chiggers, too.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found an advertisement of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas. This is the only school in the state devoted entirely to technical training. It offers courses in architectural engineering, civil engineering, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, textile engineering and various courses in agriculture, such as horticulture, animal husbandry, farm husbandry, dairying, bee keeping etc. There is also a two-year course in agriculture for young men who wish to spend one or two years in preparing for practical farm work. The total annual expense for a boy is \$155.00. Technical education is undoubtedly the order of the day, and the A. & M. College is the place for the Texas boy to get it.

A Revelation.

It is a revelation to people, the severe cases of lung trouble that have been cured by Foley's Honey and Tar. It not only stops the cough but heals and strengthens the lungs. L. M. Ruggles, Reasnor, Iowa, writes: "The doctors said I had consumption, and I got no better until I took Foley's Honey and Tar. It stopped the hemorrhages and pain in my lungs and they are now as sound as a bullet."

A New England newspaper advises Mr. Kern to trim his whiskers. There will be time enough for that after he trims Jim Sherman.—Houston Post.

The function of the kidneys is to strain out the impurities of the blood which is constantly passing through them. Foley's Kidney Remedy makes the kidneys healthy. They will strain out all waste matter from the blood. Take Foley's Kidney Remedy and it will make you well. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Always Looking For Twisters.

In the region where tornadoes are common, which is a pretty large territory nearly every family has one member who has a highly developed fear of storms. When warm weather and the cyclone put in their appearance the scary one begins the preparation of a safe retreat, probably in the cellar under the house, or if he happens to be one of the thirty-third degree member of the Algamated Order of Fraidcats he has a cave lined with reinforced concrete constructed somewhere in the back yard.

In his cave or cellar retreat the coward puts a bed, and if he has it bad he is apt to lay in a stock of provisions and a barrel of water. During the day the other members of the family have a good deal of fun chaffing the coward but he gets even at night by disturbing their sleep.

Among other peculiarities of the cyclone coward is an optical illusion which possesses him about the time the bass begin to bite. From then until harvest time every cloud he sees assumes a funnel shape and he is sure we are going to have a twister. And he never misses a cloud. When he sees one he gets up, gathers up his clothes and the insurance papers and proceed to herd the family to safety.

If the coward happens to be the man of the house he sometimes succeeds in dragging the sleeping wife and children to the cellar while he looks out the door until a gentle summer shower begins to fall. But if the coward is the wife she never has much success with the old man beyond getting him angry, and because of her duty to the children she takes to the afraid hole abandoning the husband to his fate and sleep.

About once in two million times the cyclone coward makes a good bet and then his name is numbered with the survivors. But it costs him a lot of good sleep.—Atchison Globe.

Boy's Life Saved.

My little boy, four years old, had a severe attack of dysentery. We had two physicians; both of them gave him up. We then gave him Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea remedy which cured him and I believe that saved his life.—William H. Stroling, Carbon Hill, Ala. There is no doubt but this remedy saves the lives of many children each year. Give it with castor oil according to the plain printed directions and a cure is certain. For sale by Carleton & Porter.

The Messenger has a scholarship for sale in Hill's Business College at Waco, Texas, which we will sell at a considerable discount. See us at once.

War Against Consumption.

All nations are endeavoring to check the ravages of consumption, the "white plague" that claims so many victims each year. Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs and colds perfectly and you are in no danger of consumption. Do not risk your health by taking some unknown preparation when Foley's Honey and Tar is safe and certain in results. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Burglary and Shooting.

Lovelady, Texas, July 26—About 12 o'clock last night it was discovered that some one was in the Hamilton restaurant on the east side, and Deputy Sheriff Thompson went to investigate the matter. Three men were seen to emerge from the building by a window and Thompson followed one of them, ordering him to stop after a long chase, and two shots were fired to intimidate the runner. He fired at the fleeing runner and brought him down. It was found that he was shot through the thigh, but that no bones were broken. It developed that the party was Harmon Newton, a young man who was raised here. One other arrest has been made and there are other suspects, but the evidence is not conclusive.

Do You Itch?

The cup of human misery is never quite full until some form of itching skin disease is added. Then it overflows. Hunt's Cure is a specific for any itching trouble ever known. One application relieves. One box is guaranteed to cure any case.

Elijah Gosgrove of Quincy Ill., a fisherman of repute, relates that ten years ago he was fishing in one of the famous resort lakes in Indiana, when he dropped a \$10 gold piece into the water and saw a pickerel swallow it. Since then he has fished assiduously for the pickerel, and a week ago last Saturday caught it. Opening the fish he found the original \$10 and \$8.50 in small change—being the interest that had accrued while the money was on deposit in the fish.

A Healing Salve for Burns, Chapped Hands and Sore Nipples.

As a healing salve for burns, sores, sore nipples and chapped hands Chamberlain's Salve is most excellent. It allays the pain of a burn almost instantly, and unless the injury is very severe, heals the parts without leaving a scar. Price 25 cents. For sale by Guice & Son.

Said the editor to the new reporter: "You must learn never to state a thing as a fact until it has been proved a fact. You are apt to get us into a libel suit. Do not say 'The cashier stole the funds,' say 'the cashier is alleged to have stolen the funds.' That's all. Oh, get something about that first ward social tonight." And this is the report turned in by the young man who heeded the editor's warning. "It is rumored that a card party was given last evening to a number of reputed ladies of the First ward. Mrs. Smith, gossip says, was the hostess; and the festivities are reported to have continued until 1:30 in the evening. The alleged hostess is believed to be the wife of John Smith, the so-called 'high-priced grocer.'"

It's Fine.

C. M. Johnson, Louisville, Ky., writes: "I have used your Hunt's Cure and it is fine." We have many similar letters. Hunt's Cure is a strictly guaranteed remedy for any variety of skin diseases. It stops itching instantaneously.

Unofficial Election Returns.

It has been impossible to get the complete vote from all the boxes in the county on account of slow returns, but the following is sufficient to tell who the nominees are. The boxes yet to hear from will not materially change the result.

For Gov.	Williams.....	404
	Campbell.....	1108
For Atty. Gen.	Wynne.....	656
	Davidson.....	749
State Senator	Stokes.....	1446
	Dickerson.....	395
Representative	Creath.....	360
	Luce.....	574
	Nichols.....	445
	Smith.....	561
	Strozzie.....	46
District Judge	Gardner.....	1033
	Bishop.....	597
Co. Judge	Winfree.....	1076
	Spence.....	843
District Clerk	Newton.....	598
	Stanton.....	1334
Co. Clerk	Howard.....	674
	Allbright.....	1259
Sheriff	Phillips.....	691
	Lacy.....	836
	Hale.....	485
Co. Treasurer	Bayne.....	1205
	Cater.....	765
	For Submission.....	824
	Against Submission.....	508

The following were nominated without opposition: Goolsby for Collector; Ellis for Assessor; Mangum for County Superintendent; Bean for Surveyor; Jno. A. Davis for Justice Peace Precinct No. 5; S. C. Spence Constable precinct No. 5. Sam Lively defeated Morris for Commissioner in precinct No. 1 by a large majority. Ross Murchison received a majority over his opponents for Commissioner in precinct No. 2. In State officers, of course Campbell has defeated Williams by a majority which will reach 100,000. Davidson has defeated Wynne by about 20,000 majority; Robinson for Land Commissioner, Stephens for Controller and Cousins for Superintendent of Public Instruction, have been nominated.

Mrs. W. D. McCarty and little Louise visited relatives at Crockett a few days this week.

Joe Colkin and sister returned Monday from Sylvester, where they had been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Waters and children of near San Antonio are visiting relatives in Grapeland.

Three and a half lbs. Arm & Hammer Soda for 25 cents at Wherry's.

A car of new Studebaker wagons due to arrive by the 15th of August. Geo. E. Darsey.

Sam Music and Miss Willie Herod, two very popular young people of the Oak Grove community were married at the Methodist parsonage Wednesday morning, Rev. J. C. Cameron officiating. The Messenger extends best wishes.

How to be Happy though Married

Remember to keep your troubles in the family.

Remember that a quarrel should be "made up" as soon as possible.

Remember that married life is a full and not a limited partnership.

Remember that your partner is a human being—neither a hero nor an angel.

Remember that marriage is for better or for worse, especially the latter.

Remember that there should be a full understanding as to income and expenditures.

Remember to be patient and kind, slow to anger and plentiful in charity.

Remember to dress for one another a little; not entirely for society.

Remember to be agreeable—not so agreeable perhaps as in courtship (which is scarcely possible), but agreeable.

Remember to be scant in the use of endearing terms like "and darling" in public, but plentiful in private.

Remember that a soft answer turneth away wrath and that grievous words stir up anger.

Remember that the woman who saves money is as good and useful to the partnership as the man who makes it.

Remember that confidence and thoughtfulness and faithfulness in one partner beget like virtues in the other.

Remember that a good husband is worth more than millions of money and a good wife above rubies.

Remember that love believeth all things, beareth all things, hopeth all things; that love suffereth long and is kind.

Remember that the human heart craves fellowship and gentleness and kind words, always and everywhere.

Remember that it is easy to see the failings of another and difficult to know your own weaknesses.

Remember that your partner will meet you half way or, if not, if you will go a little further, will surely meet you.

Remember that you cannot afford to dissolve the partnership, save it may be for treason to the firm.

And remember—That you can afford to make every sacrifice and endure many things for the sake of harmony and right relations.

More Work than in Four Cities.

Building in San Antonio is on largest scale ever known.

In the good old summer time the merry ring of the hammer and the roar of the wagon loads of boards predominate. The fall of a wagon full of bricks also joins, in the chorus of sounds which tell to the busy San Antonians that they are doing mode development work during the present summer than Houston, Galveston, Dallas and Fort Worth combined. This is the statement made yesterday afternoon by J. H. Kirkpatrick—and in Mr. Kirkpatrick's desk is a detailed inventory of the multitudinous units which serve to make up that total. He has made a record of all the more important development work now going on in the city, and by comparison with similar records in the four other large cities of the State he has discovered that San Antonio outstrips the entire aggregation.

Eight million dollars as Mr. Kirkpatrick has before shown, is now being spent in San Antonio for improvements.

Within the next ninety days there will be four big buildings under construction, not to mention a score or more of two, three and four-story business structures which are going up with such frequency as to call forth little comment. The big buildings are the \$1,000,000 hotel on the site of the old Mahncke building. This structure will be ten stories high. The Gibbs building, at Houston street and Ave-

nue B, will be eight stories; the St. Anthony hotel seven stories, and the Stower building six stories.

At the government post the enlargement of the quarters is still under way, while nearly every residence section in the city is being extended by the erection of handsome buildings.

Summer is pre-eminently the time for development work in this city, and during that season the number and value of property transfers decrease. But this will be a banner autumn with the real estate men.

The truck crop this year was one of the best ever grown in this section of the State. A good corn crop is already made. Stockmen secured about \$14,000,000 for the stock they sold this year, and one San Antonio bank has already received over \$1,000,000 cash in exchange for notes taken up by the stockmen alone.

This prosperity means a great business for the real estate men during the fall and winter, and the prospects now are that it will be the banner year in the history of the business in this city.

Labor is likely to become scarce during the next month. Nearly all the Mexican labor of the city is now employed, and a considerable portion of it will be drafted to get in the cotton crop, and this is liable to create a shortage of labor for local building purposes.

Many Land-seekers This Year.

Real estate continues to change hands for the better.

The movement of landseekers to these parts has seldom been heavier at this time of year than now. It is estimated that fully two hundred Northerners have been brought in here in groups, parties and by twos and threes this month.

A party of nearly one hundred entered the city early this week in two special cars of the Allison-Richey Land Company over the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, having come from Kansas City. Here they were transferred to the Southern Pacific and taken to the vicinity of Victoria. Considerable land was bought by the men.

"Do you know what strikes the Northern land buyer most favorably about Texas at this time of the year?" asked a big land dealer, in speaking about the immigration tide. "It is the fruit for which Texas is famous. The sight of figs growing in profusion, peaches, pears, plums, etc., sold on the markets at ridiculously low prices compared with the North sets those fellows wild with enthusiasm. It can be justly said that the fruit crop of Texas is one of her greatest assets."

Many Negroes in Doubt.

Are contemplating leaving the Republican ranks.

Will the negroes of Texas and the South join the Democratic party? This interesting question has been started by the action of the negroes of San Antonio, who have organized and announce their intention of entering the Democratic primary July 25 and voting the Democratic ticket this fall. The Brownsville affair, which set many of the magainst Roosevelt's administration and Taft, and the prohibition fight are assigned as reasons for this action. One faction of the Republican party is said to desire the negroes to turn Democrats for the reason that they believe with the negro question eliminated from politics about half of the Democrats in the State will turn Republican. They cite the fact that the stockmen, the sheep and goat breeders and many of the farmers of this State are protectionists openly and Republican at heart. They think that by eliminating the negro bugbear that the brutal Democratic majority in Texas will disappear and Republican victories in State elections will occur, as there is already dissension in the Democratic party of this State. On

the other hand, some of the shrewder negro leaders have expressed the opinion that if Texas could become evenly divided between the Democrats and Republicans the negro vote might be made of weight in deciding close elections and the negroes get more consideration from both parties. So they are counselling their followers that it is good politics to join the Democrats. So far the movement is localized to Southwest Texas and may make little headway against tradition and race prejudice, but it opens up interesting possibilities of a new alignment in the South.

Irrigation Advancing.

Immense scheme for irrigation in Southwest Texas are being consummated.

Irrigation on a large scale is being developed in the lower Rio Grande valley, in the vicinity of Brownsville. There are twenty-six irrigation plants either installed or in process of construction. When completed these will irrigate about a half a million acres of land. The largest of these are the San Benito Canal Company, the American Land and Irrigation Company and the Harlingen Canal Company. The San Benito plant utilizes the old orroyas, formerly beds of the river, and have completed a canal twenty-six miles long, sixty feet wide and twenty feet deep. It is controlled by a great flood gate at the river and fills by means of gravity. The canal has several locks capable of handling a company will irrigate a hundred or a sixty-foot barge. Forty miles of lateral canals are under construction, and ultimately this company will irrigate 150,000 acres.

The American Land and Irrigation Company of Mercedes, backed by B. F. Yoakum of the Frisco-Rock Island and a syndicate of his friends, has twelve miles of the main canal completed and are building many miles of laterals. Their power plant, when all machinery is installed will be capable of generating as much power as the plant that operates the subway in New York city. Ultimately they expect to irrigate over one hundred thousand acres.

The Harlingen Company has a canal about ten miles in length and is building extensive laterals. They expect to irrigate about fifty thousand acres. These three enterprises represent an outlay of between two and a half and three million dollars. In addition there are twenty-three other plants that irrigate from 500 to 10,000 acres.

Sugar cane raising and sugar making is the principal industry. A number of sugar mills are already in operation, and a plant to cost \$500,000 is nearing completion at Brownsville. Rio Grande valley sugar cane took first prize at the St. Louis exposition. The growers there have an advantage in climate, having a longer season than any of their competitors. They have water transportation through their canals and the Rio Grande to the gulf, and their sugar cane has more sucrose, the essential saccharine element, and the smallest per cent of glucose of any sugar grown in America.

New Elastic Currency.

Yes, Nellie, it is to be hoped that Uncle Sam will use only the best grades of rubber in the new "elastic currency"—otherwise a good many \$10 bills will be torn in two. Just think, Nellie, of taking two crisp, new "twenties," and, after securely basting them together, stretching them, with the help of the hired girl, so as to cover the household expenses for the whole month, then take a pair of "strong-jawed" pinchers and yank out one corner until it will stand for two half-pound boxes of bon-bons, eighteen moving picture shows, a card of pink hooks and eyes, a set of dainty back hair combs, 10 cents for foreign missions and a pair of pearl gray gloves that reach clear up to your armpits and turn back enough for dress shields.—Dallas News.

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You can buy lots now in South Houston at \$105, \$120 and \$130, payable \$5 down and \$5 per month, which will sell for anywhere from \$200 to \$300, each and possibly much more, before you have finished paying for them.

This opportunity will be gone in ninety days. There is no doubt of this. We will soon advance the price of the remaining lots in South Houston. Our agents write us that they find dozens of people who expect to buy South Houston Property this fall, many of them who expect to make their homes in South Houston.

We will have no lots to offer them this fall and some of our customers who are buying now will have a chance to make a nice profit on their lots by selling to the people from all parts of the country who will be here late this year. We will make these re-sales for our customers without any charge, except 25¢ for transferring the contract.

Quite a number of our customers have already sold their lots in South Houston for a nice profit, some of them making 100 per cent on the amount actually invested.

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Proposed Plan for Financing Cotton Crop.

During the late panic—or the present panic, as you prefer—the people in many localities were treated to a new kind of circulating medium. The banks did not have the money to take care of their general run of business and at the same time finance the cotton crop, so they adopted the expedient of issuing "scrip." This scrip was issued in denominations of \$1, \$5, \$10, etc., and each piece was in effect a note, bearing interest, signed by the officers of the bank, and secured only by the good name and the assets of the corporation. If the bank was sound, well and good. If virtually insolvent (as many banks were), the holder of the scrip ran a risk of loss. The fact is that our national banking system—for the benefit of the bankers—is not, when looked at from the standpoint of the public, the most beneficent of institutions; at many points it breaks down, to the great loss of its victims, the depositors.

Bank scrip, then, was not as solid as Gibraltar, but there was a lesson and an example in it which ought to be valuable to cotton growers if heeded by them. If a bank can issue scrip on insufficient security and make it pass as legal tender, why cannot farmers, through the medium of their warehouse, issue scrip (say to the amount of \$30 per bale) against the actual, physical cotton, stored and insured in the bonded warehouse? There is no better security in reality than the cotton in the world; Uncle Sam's currency is no better secured. There is no danger of fraud; it is only necessary that the thing be gone about in a businesslike and legal way.

The more widely the idea is adopted and carried into effect the more far-reaching the result, but any local community can adopt it without waiting on the action of others.

On the other hand, no bank, and no string of banks, has the resources to advance money enough to keep the cotton crop off the market.

A form, simple, convenient, embodying all legal requirements, would be adopted, designating the union warehouse manager as trustee and making all scrip redeemable at the warehouse, providing that when a given issue of scrip is not redeemed at maturity the manager may, after giving due notice, sell the cotton against which the scrip was issued. Of course all proceeds over and above principal and interest and warehouse charges would go to the owner of the cotton.

But it does not seem likely that this procedure would often be invoked. In the first place, of the plan were generally adopted cotton would soon go above the minimum price, and if it didn't the enlightened merchant would be disposed to take a new issue of scrip so as to help the farmer hold, and to take care of exceptional cases it might be advisable to have a state fund (or to have the state union make arrangements for the money) for the purpose of holding distressed cotton off the market.

Under this system you would, when your debts come due in the fall, call upon your warehouse manager to deliver to you \$30 in scrip, bearing a fair rate of interest, against each bale of your cotton. You would take these scrip bills to your merchant and offer them in payment of your account. Would he accept them? There are several reasons why he should, and no sufficient one that we know of why he should not. He ought to have no trouble in liquidating his own obligations with it, and if it were generally adopted the business world would be compelled to recognize and accept it. It would pass as legal tender. But there is no reason why the legitimate business world should be antagonistic to cotton scrip, for it would mean higher priced cotton and that would mean prosperity to all honest occupations.

It would be strictly safe

"money." And strictly convenient to handle. When this is admitted the farming world can count on enough enlightened selfishness, enough love of fair play in the commercial world to assure the prestige of cotton scrip. Accepted by the jobber, it would pass between jobber and banker, between banker and the public (and foreign creditors) freely.

In case the merchant, in the first place, should refuse to accept it there are always men of means and institutions anxious to turn their cash into gilt-edge paper. Then the merchant's competitor, with the hope of winning a new customer, would be apt to exert considerable influence in making cotton paper "go."

Opposition should not be courted, but disarmed by educating all classes to an attitude of confidence and good will.

The merchants, if brought to see the matter in the right light, would see their duty to be willing to suffer some hardships in helping the farmer bear the south's burden, since the storekeeper's interest in high-priced cotton is just as vital as the farmer's.

No doubt difficulties would be encountered. And in order to take care of exceptional cases it would doubtless be well, as suggested before, that the state union make provision, in one way or another, to stand behind union scrip in the assistance of distressed members.

We hope to go into details more specifically next week, and invite a full discussion of the plan by the membership. We might add that the idea is advanced on its merits by the editor, and that the state officials are not responsible for its being put forward.

Advance of Freight Raset

The Southwestern Traffic Association, composed of the general freight agents of the railroads operating in the southwest, last week gave notice to the Interstate Commerce Commission of an advance of 5 to 10 cents per hundred pounds on all commodities shipped from another state into Texas. The rate does not apply to interstate shipments between other states than Texas, and hence the motive behind the move is not clearly revealed. Of course the first object is to extort more money from the public, but just why they tax it all against Texas is not apparent. Oklahoma, for instance, gets a 2 cent passenger fare, while Texas pays 3 cents, and yet no advance is made in freights in Oklahoma to make up the difference. Not that we think such an advance should have been made. On the contrary, we think conditions do not warrant any advance anywhere, and we believe that a strong protest should go up from every state in the southwest, and if it is not made effective before the railroads and the Interstate Commerce Commission, should be carried to the ballot box.

There is a strong suspicion that the motive for charging all the advance made by the southwestern roads to Texas is to punish this state for the intangible assets tax and to warn the public against any further anti-railroad legislation. If this is the motive the game will prove a boomerang. The people of Texas have been not only good, but very good, to the railroads. They have given them millions of acres of their best land as bonuses and have never yet made them bear their share of the support of the government, and in no instance has any unjust burden been placed upon them. If any injustice had been done them the people of Texas are fair and honest and an appeal to their judgment and sense of fairness would correct the evil. But this imposition of more tribute against the already overburdened and long-suffering producer of the state's wealth will never frighten him into submission to railroad dictation of the laws which shall govern Texas.—National Co-Operator.

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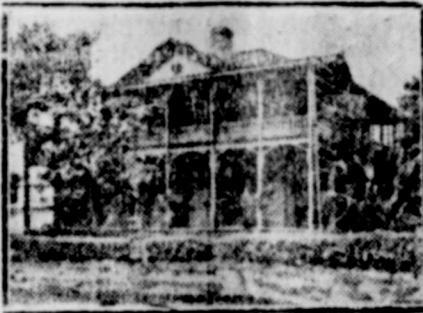
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Austin Texas, July 26.—Now that the primaries are over the state house will resume its former composure and business will be transacted with less distraction than during the past three months. Many a job hinged on the election, but the results as a whole will keep officialdom intact. Had the governor been swept out of office it would have meant a clean sweep in all state eleemosynary institutions besides several of the state departments, but hundreds of employees were saved by his reelection. The same applies to the contests for controller, attorney general and superintendent of public instruction, and largely to the general land office. While a new commissioner has apparently been nominated, J. T. Robison, he was an employee for years and the present force is said to have backed him to a finish. Because of this loyalty to a former co-laborer a large majority of the present office force will be retained. The general results last night were soothing to the small army of office holders, and the bread and meat anxiety of the past few weeks is ended happily for them. The results are a general retention all around.

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Struck By a Train.

Palestine, Texas, July 26.—Archie Davis, a deaf and dumb man, was struck by a train just north of town and knocked from the track. Davis was walking on the track and his affliction prevented his hearing the approach of the train. While painful his injuries are not considered serious at the International & Great Northern hospital, where he was taken for attention.

Money to Burn.

If you have got money to burn, we call your attention to the ad of the F. & M. State Bank in this issue.

Miss Lillian Hanson has returned home from Marlin, where she has been attending a summer normal.

Prof. T. P. Perkins passed through last Wednesday on his way home to Mt. Pleasant from Lovelady, where he had been teaching in the normal.

Precinct Convention.

As a result of the precinct convention held last Saturday afternoon, Dave Leaverton was elected chairman for the next two years, S. W. Duitch was elected secretary. The following delegates and alternates were elected to go to the convention.—

Delegates: Dave Leaverton, Joe Yarbrough, S. E. Miller, J. N. Parker, T. H. Leaverton, A. L. Brown, R. B. Edens, S. E. Howard, W. G. Darsey, F. A. Faris, J. E. Holingsworth, J. J. Guice. Alternates: J. R. Richards, J. N. Sory, B. R. Eaves, Frank Leaverton, T. D. Zaskary, J. M. Johnson, T. J. Cutler, A. B. Guice, J. F. Garrett, Bob Parker, J. R. Beeson, Henry Brown.

The delegates were instructed to vote as a unit.

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The lake formerly known as the Tyer lake but now Myrtle Lake, is owned by a stock company and is posted and no one is allowed to fish in said lake except a stockholder.

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JAS. OWENS.

Misses Luna Taylor, Luna Frank Hollingsworth and Ima Davis are spending a week with their friend Miss Lizzie Edens of Daly's.

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Gov. Tom M. Campbell passed through Grapeland Saturday on his way to Palestine from Houston, where he had been to deliver the last gun of the campaign. The Governor was met by a large crowd of his friends and admirers, and he was kept busy shaking hands while the train was here.

J. W. Reese Dead.

Comanche Tex., July 26.—J. W. Reese, candidate for the Legislature, who was shot last Thursday by his opponent E. C. Gaines died this morning at 3:15 and will be buried at 4:30 tomorrow.

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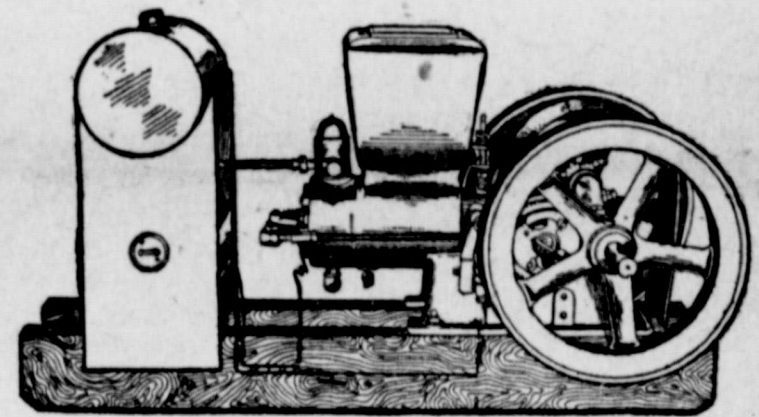
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LOCAL NEWS.

Let Odell Faris fix up your old clothes.

Hon. C.C. Stokes of Crockett was here Saturday.

Dr. J. B. Smith of Crockett was in Grapeland Wednesday.

New groceries all the time at Howard's.

Machine oil, lace leather, rabbit metal, belting, bagging and ties at Geo. E. Darsey's.

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S. E. Howarnd.

The school catalogues are now in the press and will be ready for distribution by the last of the week.

The Democratic Executive Committee will meet at Crockett Saturday, Aug. 1, to canvass the vote.

Geo. E. Darsey is preparing for a big fall business and in a few days his goods will begin to come in by the car load.

The Baptist Ladies Aid Society served dinner Saturday in the Walling building, and report a good day.

Your attention is called to the ad of Mr. J. B. Smith of Crockett in this issue. If you are in need of anything in that line, you will do well to see or write Mr Smith.

Mr. Mack Garrison, a successful farmer of Anderson County, was a pleasant caller at the Messenger office Tuesday, and while here presented us with a fine water melon for which he has our thanks.

A car load of bagging and ties to arrive this week at Darsey's.

If you have troubles of any kind, trust in God and buy your groceries from Wherry.

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GENERAL NEWS.

A Brief Summary of Happenings in the State, the Nation and the World.

STATE.

Groveton.—Mitt Dorman is shot to death by L. F. Smith. There is no known reason for the affair. Smith is in jail on a charge of murder.

Houston.—Colonel J. B. Brockman, George W. Stief and a negro have a mix-up in front of the Richelleu Cafe. Stief alleges that Brockman used improper language in addressing Mrs. Stief. The negro was assisting Mrs. Stief to alight in front of the cafe. Brockman was on the sidewalk, and as Mrs. Stief got out of the hack her husband appeared, and the trouble commenced. The negro drew a knife, and is under arrest on a charge of assault on murder. Brockman is a prominent attorney and Stief a well-known piano dealer.

Austin.—Local shippers are starting a movement for the circulation of a petition against the proposed increase in freight rates by the railroads operating in Texas and Louisiana.

Runge.—At the 6-months-old colt show held at Runge Mrs. Henry Pullins' animal takes first prize. The exhibition was a good one, and speaks well for the horse raising industry in this section.

Texarkana.—Government rations and free seed are being distributed by the Federal authorities to the negroes in this section, owing to the loss inflicted upon them by the storms and floods of early summer.

El Paso.—The lack of rain or water available for irrigating purposes is being badly felt, and the outlook for the crops in the El Paso district is not very bright.

Corpus Christi.—The Coleman-Fulton Pasture Company is making preparations for the establishment of a slaughter house and packing plant.

Temple.—W. H. Hill of Bartlett has announced his intention of establishing a broom factory at Temple.

Waco.—A protest has been filed by the Waco Elks lodge against the decision on the first prize in the parade at Dallas last week. It is alleged that they were discriminating against and that they justly earned first place, both by the cost of their display and the quality of the float which they had in the pageant. The protest has been forwarded to J. E. Farnsworth, the chairman of the committee on awards.

Yoakum.—Court Stenographer McCarthy has resigned his position, having made arrangements to go into business at Houston.

Georgetown.—Henry Schubert is awarded \$10,000 in a suit against the International & Great Northern Railway for personal damages.

Smithville.—Robert Priest, a 70-year-old Confederate veteran, dies from heart disease. Mr. Priest served under Colonel Wash. Jones during the war.

Victoria.—Mr. and Mrs. Sample are thrown from a buggy during a runaway. Both were badly bruised, and Mr. Sample sustained a fracture of the collar bone.

Fort Worth.—An explosion of gas occurs in the big vault in the Fort Worth Postoffice. Major C. O. Elliott, who was in the vault at the time, is very seriously injured.

Fort Worth.—Charles Thompson of Weatherford is killed by a Rock Island train. Thompson was crossing the tracks; his foot became caught between a rail and a tie and he was run down before he could extricate himself.

Dallas.—The Dallas Gas Company is being made the subject of an official investigation owing to the fact that it is suspected that the company is a branch of the New York Gas Trust.

Del Rio.—The late rains have put the range and all farm lands in excellent condition and this season promises to be one of unlimited

prosperity both to the stockman and the farmer.

Temple.—Street car collides with buggy in which Mrs. J. B. Watters and young son were riding. The lady sustained painful though not fatal injuries.

El Paso.—Late dispatches are to the effect that the crops in the vicinity of El Paso have been saved by a steady rain, which has started the river flowing and put crops in good shape.

Gonzales.—Rufus Murphy is given a two-year sentence for opening up a faro game in public. This is the first conviction under the new law.

Sinton.—Emmett Gafney is stabbed to death. The deceased is well known in San Patricio County and was the son of County Surveyor Gafney.

DOMESTIC.

Washington, D. C.—The labor leaders, Gompers, Morrison and Mitchell have been summoned to appear before Justice Anderson of the District Supreme Court to show why they should not be punished for contempt. The charge is based on a petition of the Buck Stove and Range Company, who claim that the labor organizations have established a boycott on their goods in spite of an order by Judge Gould forbidding any boycott against this company by the various organizations of labor. The citation calls for their appearance in court on September 8.

Fairview, Lincoln, Neb.—The appeal of Mr. Bryan to the farmers of the United States for campaign funds appears to be successful. Many small donations are being received, from \$1 upward, and the method of procuring campaign funds is growing more popular daily. The work connected with the handling of this department of Mr. Bryan's correspondence promises to keep a fair-sized office force busy.

Colorado, Springs, Colo.—The first session of the Republican leaders with Campaign Manager Hitchcock takes place. Members of the National Committee from sixteen States addressed the assembled party leaders and explained conditions in their home sections. Colonel Cecil A. Lyon made the statement that Texas had been considerably neglected in the campaigns of the past, and suggested that some strong speakers be sent to tour the State in the interest of the party this fall.

Rockford, Ill.—I. W. Bess, negro porter at the Manufacturers' National Bank, steals \$8,420 from the vaults of the institution. He was captured three hours after he secured the money, which was all recovered. Bess was a leader in colored church circles.

New Orleans, La.—A law goes into effect which absolutely prohibits the drinking or carrying of liquor on a railroad passenger train in the State of Louisiana. The infraction of this law is a misdemeanor, punishable by fine or imprisonment or both.

Hot Springs, Va.—William H. Taft has stated emphatically that he will not accept money from corporate interests. The campaign managers of Mr. Taft had already limited the amounts of subscriptions and agreed upon giving publicity to the campaign subscription fund.

New York.—Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop Farley and many other high dignitaries of the Catholic Church are bound for Rome, where they will attend the golden jubilee celebration of Pope Pius X.

Montgomery, Ala.—Owing to the serious phase of the strike situation in the Birmingham district the Alabama National Guard will not go to Chickamauga, but are being held in readiness for an emergency call from the strike district.

Washington, D. C.—It is very possible that the Interstate Commerce Commission will take a hand in the proposed creation of higher freight rates in Southern States. If it is found that the agreement was reached through concerted action and in violation of the anti-trust law the attention of the Attorney General will be called to the matter.

Oyster Bay, N. Y.—President Roosevelt, W. L. Buchanan, Mexican Ambassador to the United States, and Assistant Secretary of State Bacon hold a conference in connection with the revolution in Central America. It is very possible that the turbulent States may feel the persuasive methods of the "big stick."

Chicago, Ill.—The National convention of the Independence Party will be called to order by Mr. Hearst on the Morning of July 27. Chicago is to be the place in which the first convention of the new National party is held.

Natchez, Miss.—The new cotton gin belonging to Captain Swayze is destroyed by an incendiary fire. Two negroes are hanged by indignant citizens and several negroes who had assisted in hiding them are whipped.

Washington, D. C.—A statue of General Robert E. Lee has been placed in the vacant niche in Statuary Hall which was assigned to Virginia. The appropriation necessary to accomplish it was \$10,000.

SENSE AND NONSENSE.

An Uncertain Job.

Michael Callahan, a section boss for the Southern railroad in the little town of Ludlow, Ky., has a keen Gaelic wit. One warm afternoon, while walking along the railroad tracks, he found a section hand placidly sleeping beside the rails. Callahan looked diskustedly at the delinquent for a full minute, and then remarked:

"Slape on, ye lazy spalpeen, slape on, fur as long as you slape you've got a job, but when you wake up you ain't got none."

Not What They Wanted.

A small town in the far West was looking for some one to teach its school, and applications for the post were few, as the district was remote, and its population somewhat too new to furnish many possessed of the necessary education.

One morning, however, a candidate appeared. He was a tall, rather gaunt youth, whose accent unmistakably proclaimed him as hailing from New England. The trustee, in whose hands the appointment lay, knew pretty well what the town wanted, and he asked the stranger to give his qualifications as quickly as possible.

It faultless English the youth proceeded to set forth his pedigree, naming his father and grandfather and showing a marked tendency to dilate upon an ancestry which, if proven, should easily have gained his admission to the Sons of the Colonial Wars.

The Westerner had been looking puzzled, and after a few minutes he interrupted the story.

"Now, look a-here, young man," he exclaimed, "there's been some mistake. What we want is a man to teach school, and not one for breeding purposes."—Harper's Weekly.

Stuck on the Smooth Going.

Near the village of Clayville, in Boone county, resides a young man who, until recently, had never seen a railroad train. One day a couple of weeks since a friend, who had himself just beheld the wonder, persuaded the more verdant youth to accompany him to a nearby station on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas and see the train. He arrived a little ahead of the train, and, getting impatient, he walked up the track to meet it. When he saw the monster approaching he turned about and ran down the track as if his life were at stake. "Toot, toot," shrieked the locomotive, slowing up; but the youth only ran the faster. He reached the station completely out of breath. "Why on earth didn't you cut across?" exclaimed one of the bystanders. "Cut across?" exclaimed the uncouth countryman. "If I had struck the ploed ground the thing would have caught me."—Mokane Post.

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His record is unique and without precedent or parallel in the annals of this nation, and, in fact, it is doubtful whether history affords any record to match it in any age.

Twelve years ago, amid the excitement and struggles of a great convention, he, by one speech, at 36 years of age, stepped into the leadership of his party.

His accession to the place was under extraordinary circumstances, and it was freely predicted that with the ebbing of the tide and the coming of the storm of defeat he would fail and fall and the bubble of his fame would collapse, to be seen no more.

That prediction has not been justified, and that it has not been one of the wonders of the age.

Many of the traits of the popular politician he has not. He does not mix in the hail-fellow-well-met fashion with every kind of crowd and is abstemious to total abstinence. He is clean of speech and exemplary in his ways of living.

While genial and companionable, he has a reserve that is never altogether broken, and he never entirely loses sight of himself. He is, too, not a reserved man in the matter of speech. On the contrary, he has perhaps talked more in the last twelve years than any public man in America ever did in the same length of time.

All this being true, that he should be what he is and where he is is nothing else than wonderful. A single speech and a single letter have defeated the ambitions of some of the greatest men America ever knew. Yet William J. Bryan has made thousands of speeches on almost every conceivable subject, and under all sorts of conditions, and yet his enemies will not be able to find a quotation from one of them wherewith to confuse or confute him.

For twelve years he has stood full square to that fierce light which beats upon the great, and yet his bitterest foe cannot detect a spot on his escutcheon or a flaw in his armor.

There must be a reason for all this, and there is; and the reason is not far to seek nor difficult to find. It is that William J. Bryan is essentially honest and always faithful to his convictions. It is because he is clean and his public and private life will bear the most rigid inspection. He has a character and maintains it, and is, under all circumstances, true to the impulses and demands of honesty and decency. His life illustrates in the strongest possible way the value of character, the power of right living, the compelling force of cleanliness in thought and deed and adherence to honest conviction.—Houston Chronicle.

Candidate Kern

Mr. John W. Kern is an Indian of Virginia stock. He is a lawyer of Indianapolis and a Democrat. He is highly regarded by the citizens of his section of the country.

He was born at the village of Alto, Howard county, Ind., in December, 1849. His father was a country doctor of small means. Mr. Kern was educated in the district schools and attended the Indiana normal school at Kokomo, Ind., daily riding horseback ten miles each way. The energetic young student earned the money to enter Ann Arbor and graduated from the law department of the University of Michigan when he was 20.

For six terms he was chosen city attorney of Kokomo against Republican candidates. In 1884 he was elected reporter of the supreme court and moved to Indianapolis.

The Associated Press account of his career declares that he "has worked in every campaign, served the county in the legislature and was the leader of his party in the state senate. He was city attorney under the last two administrations of Mayor Thomas Taggart, from October, 1897, to October, 1901. In 1900 he was nominated for governor, but was defeated. Before the St. Louis convention four years ago Mr. Kern's name was prominently mentioned among the vice presidential possibilities."

The selection of a plain American citizen who is a good Democrat as Bryan's running mate on the ticket is a notable contrast to the Republican choice of James S. Sherman, who has been the right hand man of Speaker Cannon in the house in thwarting the will of the people and carrying out the autocratic measures of the American czar.

The Front Porch.

During these days the country is being edited from the front porch.

In the south the porch is more or less of an all-year institution. In the north for seven or eight months in the year the front porch is like the platform of a street car—of use only to get on. But during the good old summer time it justifies its existence north and south.

The front porch now ceases to be the mere threshold of the house. It becomes sitting room, sewing room, nursery and library. It is the hearthstone transferred to the open.

Here sits the family and so-laces itself. Inoffensive gossip floats serenely—and wisdom also. Here is the forum. Here many grave problems are sorted and settled, and laughter and good cheer have a place.

If you would study the average American family in its normal state, observe the family as it sits on the front porch after supper, amiably criticising its neighbors or discussing the evening paper or family or state affairs, laughing at the play of children—good-humored, satisfied with itself, optimistic, hearty, genial.

And if you will watch close enough you will observe the play of sentiment and the undertone of wise judgment.

It does not matter how pretentious or how humble may be the front porch. It is part and parcel of that home life on which is built the real strength of this nation. The front porch is related to that family life in summer as is the fireside in winter.

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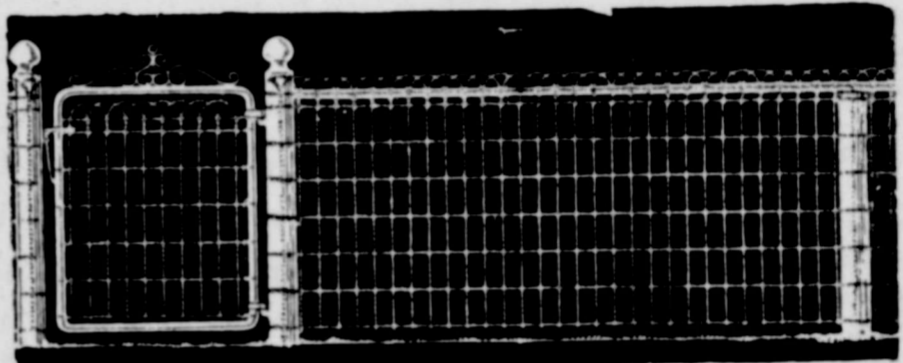
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POPULAR FALLACY.

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