

TAFT'S MESSAGE LACKING USUAL ROOSEVELT FIRE

REQUESTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ARE NUMEROUS—STATE-MOOD FOR TWO TERRITORIES.

URGES NATIONAL NEGRO CELEBRATION

Ship Subsidy Bill, Nicaraguan Affair, White Slave Traffic and Tariff Among Matters Touched Upon by President.

Publishers' Press. Washington, Dec. 7.—Although lacking in considerable the fiery lectures some of the older members of the house have been accustomed to under the Roosevelt administration.

Taft in his message recommends individual statehood for Arizona and New Mexico, two of the territories he included on his recent trip over the country, and takes up considerable space urging that the request be complied with.

Negro Celebration. That a negro celebration in 1913 be held for the negroes of America, as the semi-centennial anniversary of their freedom, is the request which Taft strongly urges.

The country is in a high state of prosperity, says Taft, and he raps the increased cost of living.

Economy and harmony was the keynote of the president's message, and the members of congress seemed to be pleased with it. He only hints at an amendment to the anti-trust laws, and does not touch that subject alone at all in the message.

He thinks labor injunctions should not be issued without previous notice, and at that point in his message he touched the Gompers, Morrison and Mitchell case.

Love for Travel. Taft's love for travel is plainly distinguishable in his message, for he skips from one point of the country to the other, making references and pointing out needs.

Ship Subsidy. Some of the projects mentioned in the message follow:

Ship subsidy bill to encourage American shipping interests; publicity of campaign contributions in the election of members of congress; higher rate of postage on periodicals and magazines; fund of \$50,000 to aid in suppressing the white slave traffic; commission of eleven men to eliminate the law's delays; construction of artificial island for fortification purposes in the mouth of the Delaware river; national bureau of health; appointment of governor and executive council for Alaska; integrity of China must be preserved; no further revision of the tariff for fear of disturbance of business; take steps against Zelaya and Nicaragua.

Investigation Unwise. A congressional investigation of the sugar trust frauds, recently revealed with the theft of many millions from the United States government, and the consequent discharge of thirty clerks from the New York custom port, would be unwise, reads the message.

John Drew Hart. Publishers' Press. New York, Dec. 7.—John Drew, the famous actor, lies in a critical condition as the result of being thrown from his horse in Central Park today.

His collar bone was crushed by the fall, and he was also injured internally.

sage, and further, it urges that it not be started.

Taft says that at the close of the fiscal year in 1911 ending June 31, there will be no deficit in the treasury, but more than \$25,000,000 will be in surplus. The message says the people desire the postal savings bank system, and they would promote thrift.

Special Message. Publishers' Press.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The interstate commerce laws will be dealt with next week by President Taft in a special message to congress.

Crystal Theater. Pollock Stock Company presented "A Fool's Advice" to a large audience Tuesday night at the Crystal theater. The bill at the matinee and tonight is "Thorns and Orange Blossoms," a dramatization of Bertha M. Clay's novel of the same name.

Record-Breaking. Publishers' Press.

New York, Dec. 7.—Breaking the transcontinental speed record, notwithstanding the fact his trains were held up by blizzards, Samuel Newhouse, the mine owner of Salt Lake City, arrived here today, hurrying to the bedside of his dying brother in Paris. He came on special trains and made the trip in 14 minutes less time than previous records.

TEXAS PACKING HOUSE CENTER

KONE SAYS ALL MEAT PLANTS WILL BE LOCATED HERE.

ADDRESSES FARMERS

All That is Necessary, He Says, is for Farmers to Use Science in Farming and Stock Raising.

"Believe me, gentlemen, within five years the packing houses will be in Texas, all the larger ones, and many of the cotton mills will be here also. That is certain, if the farmers devote themselves to science in their farming and stock raising, and this is easily done. Texas is the greatest agricultural state in the Union."

That is an extract from the address of Edward R. Kone, the state secretary of agriculture, delivered Tuesday afternoon before the Farmers' Institute of Tom Green county in their first monthly session at the court house.

Mr. Kone impressed upon his listeners thoroughly the necessity of farming upon scientific principles, and he urged diversified farming.

The Institute is just a month old, but it is gradually being enlarged, and the officials of the organization are preparing to conduct a campaign of the county for new members and auxiliary organizations. Three towns, Sherwood, Carlsbad and Wall, Tuesday made application for membership as auxiliaries.

The monthly meeting of this Institute hereafter will be held on the first Saturday. Mr. Kone announced Tuesday that nearly 200 Institutes had been organized in Texas recently.

Weather. Publishers' Press. Washington, Dec. 7.—Weather for Texas: Continued cold in the northern part, with more snow. Partly cloudy over central part and unsettled in the east, with scattered rain.

Wool Growers.

Tuesday afternoon the directors of the Wool Growers' Central Storage Company met in regular monthly session in Cashier W. B. Sayers' office in the Landon hotel. While the proceedings of the meeting are private, it has been ascertained that much business which was of much importance was transacted.

WATERS-PIERCE COMPANY IS NO MORE IN TEXAS

PROPERTY SOLD AT AUCTION IN AUSTIN FOR \$1,431,741 TO ST. LOUIS SYNDICATE.

SALES ARE RESULT BIG OUSTER PROCEEDINGS

Public Disposition is Also Made of the Properties of Navarro and Security Oil Companies, and United Tank Co. Cars.

Publishers' Press. Austin, Dec. 7.—As the result of the ouster proceedings and anti-trust suits instituted against the various oil companies doing business in Texas some time ago, the property of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company in Texas was sold at a public auction here late today to S. W. Fordyce, and associates, of St. Louis, their bid being \$1,431,741.

The property of the Security Oil Company was sold for \$85,000 to John Sealey, of Galveston, who was also the purchaser of the Texas property of the Navarro Refining Company, of Corsicana, for \$750,000, and sixty railroad cars of the Union Tank Line Company for \$40,000.

The sale of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company's property was announced for 10 o'clock this morning, but it was postponed by Judge Wilcox in order that the lawyers of H. Clay Pierce may have sufficient time to institute intervening pleas. They did not, however, and the sale was ordered.

MANY FAT PURSES FOR RACES HOLIDAY WEEK

The Directors and Judges Have Been Selected and Affair at the Fair Grounds Will Be Great.

The three last days of Christmas week at the fair grounds will be gala ones, and races, with big purses attached to each, will be given each day. The following races and the purses have been arranged:

- First Day. First race, buggy horse, one mile, purse \$25. Second race, running, 3-4 mile, purse \$100. Third race, 1-2 mile running, purse \$100. Fourth race, running, 1-4 mile for yearling colts, purse \$30. Second Day. First race, 3-8 mile for horses never run for money; weights 150 pounds; purse \$50. Second race, saddle horse, purse \$35. Third race, 6 1-2 furlongs, running, purse \$100. Fourth race, 1-2 mile pacing, heats 2 and 3, purse \$100. Third Day. First race, 7-8 mile running, purse \$150. Second race, for little boys, 1-8 mile, purse \$10. Third race, 1-2 mile running, purse \$100. Fourth race, 1-2 mile, best 3 and 5, pace, free for all, purse \$100. Fifth race, 5-8 mile novelty, running, \$10 at each eighth. Sixth race, free for all trot, purse \$100. Seventh race, relay, 2 miles, change horses every 1-2 mile, purse \$50.

The directors of the races are Messrs. A. D. West, T. M. Pulliam and Ed Russell, and the judges will be Messrs. G. W. Shield, W. C. Johnson and T. S. Sharpe. For the past week the preliminary preparations have been under way, and now the directors have been assured of sufficient funds to meet the expenses.

Honduras Revolutionized. Publishers' Press. Washington, Dec. 7.—Honduras, though hardly recovered from its recent clash with Nicaragua, is on the brink of revolution, which may wreck the government. Martial law has been declared throughout the nation.

Culberson Improving. Publishers' Press. Atlantic City, Dec. 7.—Senator Culberson's condition today was improved sufficient to enable him to take a short walk on the beach. Culberson is in daily communication with Senator Bailey at Washington, but he will not return there unless his presence is imperative.

Still Aground. Publishers' Press. Philadelphia, Dec. 7.—The government transport, the Prairie, is still aground, despite the efforts to float her. The marines have been transferred and are en route to Nicaragua.

Taft Spoke. Publishers' Press. Washington, Dec. 7.—President Taft spoke at the annual convention of the Red Cross Society this afternoon.

JURY UNABLE TO CONVICT PIERCE

"I EXPECTED THIS ALL ALONG," SAYS THE OIL MAGNATE.

EVIDENCE INSUFFICIENT

Sensational Contempt Case is Closed, and the Defendant Has Gone to St. Louis.

Publishers' Press. Austin, Dec. 7.—Judge Calhoun today sustained the immunity plea from defending attorneys, and instructed the jury to bring in a verdict of acquittal in the case against H. Clay Pierce, the oil magnate, who has been on trial for the past week on charges of perjury, which grew out of an allegation to his false swearing relative to the business of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company in Texas.

Judge Calhoun, in announcing his decision, said Pierce could not be prosecuted upon the testimony he had been forced to give in a civil case.

"I expected this all along," said Pierce, whose actions all through the trial denoted that. He left tonight for St. Louis to join his young wife.

In a Coffin. Lansing, Mich., Dec. 7.—State Game Warden Pierce has received a report from a deputy in the upper peninsula, telling how a man applied to the station agent at Fleetwood for permission to place a casket containing the body of a friend, who had been shot for a deer, on a train, and while he was talking a bird dog "pointed" the casket.

The man in charge of the casket showed a death certificate properly signed by a physician. The station master hesitated, and it was while the Milwaukeean was arguing with him that "Fluff," Deputy Harrington's dog, butted in. "Fluff" would not be called away from the casket. When her owner paid no attention to her "points" she began to paw the casket and bark. Finally Harrington became suspicious. He looked for the owner, who had quietly disappeared. Then Harrington pried off the lid and found the casket crammed full of partridges.

Nicaraguan Affair. Publishers' Press. Washington, Dec. 7.—The cabinet was in session for three hours today, and it is reported that the advisability of the president's sending a special message to congress urging immediate action on the Nicaraguan affair, was discussed.

CONGRESS WILL PROTEST AGAINST TWO CENT FARE

West Texas Fears Railroads Won't Let go of Capital, and Country needs Railways for Developing

INITIAL SESSION CONGRESS HISTORY AFTER WEDNESDAY

Provision for the Utilization of West Texas land Urged by Many Speakers Tuesday, and at the Meeting Plans for Development Naturally Matured

WEDNESDAY'S PROGRAM. The West Texas Development congress will proceed today as follows: Address, Hon. Hatton W. Summers, Dallas, attorney for the Farmers' union of Texas; subject, "The Class of Immigration We Should Seek." Report of committee on resolutions; report of committee on constitution and bylaws; selection of next meeting place. Meeting place of committees: 1.—Committee on resolutions, directors' room First National bank. 2.—Committee on constitution and bylaws, San Angelo club rooms. 3.—Committee on credentials, also committee on permanent organization, Elks' club rooms. Subjects to be submitted to and considered by the resolutions committee; report to be made thereon to the congress at 9:45 a. m. Wednesday. Remainder of session to be devoted to discussion of the findings of resolutions committee and also to report of committee on constitution and bylaws. Subjects as follows: 1. How to more securely unite the west. 2. The promotion of a still more friendly feeling on the part of north, east and south Texas for the west. 3. Immigration: How to secure farmers and homeseekers in general. 4. How to secure the investment of foreign capital. 5. The encouragement of railroad building. 6. The improvement of educational conditions. 7. How to secure uniform and better roads. 8. The promotion of irrigation where needed. 9. The promotion of the live stock industry. 10. The development of mineral resources. 11. How to develop the coal resources in West Texas. 12. The consideration of needed legislation and how to secure the same. 13. The improvement of agricultural conditions.

Protest against a 2-cent railroad fare, amendment of the anti-free pass law so as to permit twenty inspectors of the Cattle Raisers' association to use free passes on association work, defining the riparian rights in streams available for irrigation, wool standardization, sheep scab legislation, human corn food product investigation to ward off pellagra, a wolf bounty law and an act giving title to public land after proof of occupancy, so it will become available as an asset of the homeseeker purchaser, are among things the West Texas Development congress will be asked to pass upon at Wednesday's session.

Resolutions also go before the convention with the approval of the committee calling for the appointment of a committee to make a revision of the mining laws and report back to the next congress, this revision, if adopted, then to go to the legislature. Another resolution calls for a re-survey of the coal area of the state. There has been none made for twenty years, it was stated before the committee.

Game law revision as an educational campaign to preserve bird life is urged, not merely as a humanitarian measure, but because of the value to the stock and farming interests. Another irrigation measure recommended calls on the general government to extend its reclamation work. Each of these measures is being industriously urged by delegations at the congress. They have been prepared in the form of resolutions and will go before the body in that shape.

With danger of a 2-cent fare law members of the resolution committee who have expressed themselves are found to be fearful that railroad would be kept away. With some assurance that there will be no special session of the legislature to enact such a law, it is believed that the railroad capital will be turned loose and that many projected West Texas roads will be put under way.

"We need the railroads just as bad as the railroads need the business of this country," said Judge L. M. Buie in discussing this proposition. The same sentiment expressed at the opening session met an applause that is prophetic of action on this point.

School Land Amendment. The land title amendment which is suggested by Ex-Senator A. S. Hawkins of Midland is intended to make the occupancy of lands more attractive to homeseekers. Under the present system it is declared banks will not make advances on state lands because the title does not pass until all the interest and payments have been met. This runs a period of forty years. In the meantime the settler has the land and can't use it as collateral. It is declared that in three years the state has time to discover any fraud and that when occupancy for that long has been proved the occupant should have the right to the title in the land, just as an innocent purchaser to whom he transferred it at that time would have. It is proposed to let the title be still forfeitable for failure to meet the annual charges, but by permitting these to be paid ten years in advance the settler has a security that he can use in developing his land.

Senator Hawkins, who wrote the school land law, will favor this change, which it is said will result in immediate settlement for many sections. Mineral Wealth Now Idle. Some provision for utilization of the mineral wealth of public land in which the mineral right is reserved may also be urged before the congress, though this seems to have taken no definite shape yet. Amendment of the anti-pass law to permit the Cattle Raisers' inspectors to travel free on duty is expected to carry readily. It is pointed out that the fact of their presence is a

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GENTLEMEN, IT'S UP TO YOU.

The committee on constitution and by-laws and also on resolutions are scheduled to make reports to the West Texas Development Congress Wednesday. Upon the reports to be submitted depends the perpetuity of this Congress. The Press-News hopes that wisdom will mark the actions of these committees.

The West Texas Development Congress has a great future before it, if the men who are molding the affairs of that Congress give deep thought to the work they have at hand. No haphazard plan of procedure can hope to achieve the ends desired. To cause the state to take cognizance of this section of the state the West ought to be candid with those who have the distribution of favors and then to trust to this candidness, supplemented by such aggressive action as will insure this candidness compelling attention, as will bring about the reforms so greatly needed.

For this Congress to ask the legislature to enact laws that are conducive to the welfare of the state at large would be not only unwise, but would be beyond the purview of this Congress. West Texas has no desire to make her advancement upon the misfortune of other sections, but rather to rise through the untrammelled possibilities of her own resources.

West Texas, in other words, wants nothing save the vitalizing of the doctrine of the square deal. We should have no fear in asserting what we believe the square deal really is. The Press-News hopes that you will not hesitate to strike because perchance some cloven hoof is attached to some shining name, nor because some sharp horns are on the heads of those high in power. It is not so much the question of knowing what is right, as having the courage to assert the right.

The petals of the flower of influence are about to unfold for the West. The flower in prospect is one of rare beauty and of fragrance as rich as it has ever been given to mortal man to enjoy. The world is young with the West; young, and hopeful and virile and full of life and ardor. We must not permit either our love to discretion to inspire an incredulous boldness, nor our knowledge of our own strength to provoke a rashness that would fall upon our own heads.

Let us rather confine our demands upon the legislature of this state for the enactment of such wholesome legislation about which there can be no differences and which we can at least pin our faith with reason to expect success to crown our efforts. It is squarely up to this Congress to blaze the pathway. It will be squarely up to the Congresses that will come after this one to follow in the footsteps of those who pave this way.

The Press-News has confidence in your wisdom and conscientiousness that you will neither be swayed nor feared from the correct line of duty. But the responsibilities that rest upon your shoulders are the responsibilities of great moment and deserve to receive your prayerful thought and studied consideration.

PLANT TREES.

This is the season when tree planting should receive the attention of all lovers of their communities. Trees are the trimmings that make a place worth the while and give a home the air of hospitality. They serve the same purpose to a home that buttons serve to a suit. We can use pins and threads to hold our garments together, but the opportunities for accident are numerous and the chances for disaster multiply constantly.

It is just so with trees. A city can be a good city, can be an inviting place to live in even without trees, but the handicap against this being the fact is a heavy one to carry and one that should not be carried.

To beautify a home through the planting of trees costs but a comparative trifle and it is not to be regarded as a donation for the welfare of the city, but rather as an investment from which dividends in the shape of contentment and enjoyment will be paid every year.

No city has a better foundation for being a city of trees than has San Angelo. Water here is comparatively cheap and it is certainly here in the greatest abundance. The soil here is rich in those elements that result in a quick and hardy growth of shade trees. The people here appreciate trees in far greater degree than is ordinarily the case, and there is not a single case of a tree being destroyed through malicious mischief in this city.

So let The Press-News urge upon you the necessity to plant trees. Let The Press-News plead with you to plant trees. While we live, let us enjoy the time we are on our way. Let us make unbragous the ways of our fellows and the Lord of Hosts will smile upon us with His favors, for no man can add to the sum total of the pleasures of his fellows without reaping a reward commensurate with his good deeds.

Pave Chadbourne street.

Do your Christmas shopping early.

Pay your poll tax. Do it now.

That banquet was all to the good, anyhow.

The thermometer at Amarillo dropped to zero. Br-r-r!

How would you like to be the coal baron these days?

Would you call a female manipulator of a flying machine an "r-u-naughtiest"?

Cuiberson plays the quitter with splendid serenity. The Press-News fears that his feign illness is the result of too much cultivation.

Judge Lurton has heard that President Taft is to nominate him for a place on the supreme bench. How sudden.

The Dallas News has commended Judge Brooks. That's the last thing needed to encompass the defeat of that highly honorable gentleman.

There are now two congresses in session; and the one that concerns you the most vitally is the West Texas Development Congress right here in San Angelo.

If the West Texas Development Congress succeeds half as well as it deserves, it will mark the beginning of a new era in this state.

Calhoun has finally been named as minister to China. Calhoun starts on his mission with the handicap of being the wearer of a noble name that he will have a hard time living up to.

A French tailor tried to fly in an aeroplane. A tailor should stick to his needle. At least this particular one ought to have done so, for he is now a dead tailor.

Congressman Sulzer wants a real blood and thunder war to be hurled against Zelaya. Congressman Sulzer married a trained nurse about two years ago. He ought to sympathize with the Central American unfortunately.

In the selection of Hon. W. T. Bartholomew as permanent chairman of the West Texas Development Congress the new organization makes a grand start. Mr. Bartholomew is a demon for work, a master of detail and he is endowed with a discernment and judgment far above the ordinary ken.

MAJOR HOWELL'S SENTENCE.

Six Months' Confinement to Limits of Post at Fort McKenzie.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Major Daniel L. Howell, Eighteenth Infantry, former recruiting officer at Memphis, Tenn., has been ordered to Fort McKenzie, Wyo., to serve a sentence of six months' confinement to the limits of the post, imposed by a court martial by which he was recently tried for disobedience of orders. He failed to make a report to the war department in connection with the inspection of boats belonging to the Mississippi river commission. His sentence also included a reprimand and a loss of \$25 of his monthly pay for six months. He has been relieved of recruiting duty at Memphis by Major Frank A. Lang, retired.

Free Offer.

Miss Hettie Lupton, who has established her hair dressing parlors at 705 Volney street, will make for the first lady calling on her a switch free of charge. Miss Lupton does elegant work and desires to introduce her hair switches in San Angelo.

Mrs. H. G. Gregg returned Tuesday to her home in Fort Worth, after visiting her daughter of this city for several weeks.

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The Latest Novels for Men and Women. A million things for Christmas :

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C. B. METCALFE.

G. T. Parks of Dallas left for his home Tuesday afternoon.

H. J. Thompson went to Miles Tuesday on business.

Brown F. Lee has returned from Galveston, where he has been on business for several days.

"Uncle Josh Jenkins," which comes to the opera house Friday, December 10, is a rollicking show of American fun and catchy music—a vehicle to drive your cares and sorrows away, a show that you can bring your sweetheart, wives and mothers—also your mother-in-law, if you are on speaking terms—not forgetting the little ones. A performance that is lively, clean and refreshing, entirely different from anything you have seen before. A show you have all been waiting for.

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OF OLD AGE

Strong Digestion and an Adequate Nutrition Invariably Mean a Long and Healthy Life.

There is a process known as metabolism going on constantly in the body, and by which the tissues are built up, and after having served their purpose in the physical economy are torn down and cast off.

So long as the due relation between waste and supply is maintained, nutrition and the various functions of the body are continued. But after middle life and in old age there comes a time when waste exceeds supply, and when the various elements which constitute the different fluids, tissues and organs no longer hold their due proportion, and the principle of life itself becomes enfeebled, the body no longer having power to assimilate new material as it once did.

As old age creeps on all the functions gradually fail, especially those of digestion, absorption and assimilation, and the system being deprived of its full quota of nutriment, slowly wears out. If the nutritive and digestive processes of old people could be maintained unimpaired, life could be prolonged almost indefinitely.

There are many old persons in whose stomachs the gastric function is almost entirely suspended. When this trouble occurs the problem is how to digest the food and get along without the natural stomach juices. There is but one way to overcome the effects of this condition, and that is to supply artificially to the stomach a powerful digestive substance to take the place of the juices which it fails to secrete naturally.

For this purpose there is nothing superior to STUART'S DYSPESIA TABLETS, known to medical science, as they supply the deficiency, and are such a reliable and thoroughly efficient substitute for the natural gastric juices, that if two or three are taken after each meal, the food will be digested in so complete a manner that the natural digestive fluids will never be missed.

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be used by all old and middle aged persons, in order to prevent or cure the dyspepsia of old age. Through their use complete digestion of the food is assured, with a consequent increased nutriment of the body and a staying off of the senility and decrepitude of old age.

This remedy is, however, not only good for the indigestion incidental to advanced life, but it is also applicable to the dyspepsia and stomach troubles of any age, from youth up.

Secure a package of this famous dyspepsia remedy from your druggist for 50c and if you find that as you get older your digestion and assimilation becomes weaker, this remedy will assist the stomach in the performance of its functions, so that the general system will not suffer from the delinquency of the digestive organs.

If you will forward your name and address a sample package will be sent you free to the F. A. Stuart Company, 150 Stuart Building, Marshall, Mich.

C. L. Davenport of Jacksonville, Fla., left Tuesday afternoon for Oregon.

Miss Nell Haskell returned Tuesday afternoon from Haskell, where she has been visiting friends for a few days.

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Cos-Hart Drug Co. handles Gilhooley's Irish Liment, and they back it up with what might be called a government bond. In fact, a guarantee certificate goes with every bottle, to the extent that if Gilhooley's Irish Liment does not cure Eczema, Rheumatism, in any form, Salt Rheum, Lumbago or any skin ailment, you are out nothing, as the druggist you bought it from will give back your money and take the certificate for his pay. The matter is entirely in your hands. GILHOOLEY IRISH LIMMENT CO. St. Paul, Minn.

The hist... The fact th... progress th... came first... who establ... laid the fo... the great g... that have... today. The... particulars... edge, been... If I had... or a Becke... thing to se... more to cha... but the gre... would devo... agricultural... I would erec... Austin a m... and endurin... fashion, com... men and far... been more th... statement.

HOW TO IMPROVE FARMING INDUSTRY OF WEST TEXAS

BY EDWARD R. KONE.

The following address was delivered Tuesday at the West Texas Development Congress by Edward R. Kone, Secretary of Agriculture of Texas, on the "Best Methods of Improving the Farming Industry of West Texas":

There are some things that I can say without violating the requirements of the modest role that I have chosen to assume with regard to "The Best Method of Improving the Farming Industry in Texas." My recollection reaches well back to the time when there were less than 300 miles of railway in this state, and when the larger part of its domain acknowledged hardly any lordship save that of the bloodthirsty, predatory and relentless savage. Then I saw the inception of the great era of railway building that followed close upon the heels of the war between the states, and with absorbing and growing interest marked and studied its progress, and witnessed the rise of Dallas and Fort Worth and towns and cities farther westward along the line of the T. & P. railroad, and the building of others along other roads.

I remember distinctly when it was announced that farming could never be successfully conducted beyond Parker county. That being disproven, the line was moved to the 100th meridian, where the croakers and followers of the false god, "Can't Do," made their last stand and were ignominiously and signally defeated. They claimed that West Texas would always remain alone a cattle country; that it never could be anything else. It took brains, courage and resolution equal to that of the Spartan band of Thermopylae and of our own heroes at the Alamo and San Jacinto, to oppose such a dictum and to invest money, time, toil and hope in the first agricultural operations beyond the initial dead-line established, and to extend the advance on toward the setting sun, and north and south, as the pioneers made their daring good.

Some History.

The history of civilization discloses the fact that in the march of human progress the cattlemen and herdsmen came first, and then the husbandman, who established settled societies and laid the foundations for and built all the great governments and institutions that have existed, including those of today. The history of Texas, in these particulars, has, within my own knowledge, been that of other lands.

If I had the fortune of a Carnegie or a Rockefeller, I would give something to schools and churches, and more to charity personally dispensed; but the great bulk of my fortune would devote to the great work of agricultural development. Then, too, I would erect in the capitol grounds at Austin a monument, the most stately and enduring that artistic genius could fashion, commemorative of the cattlemen and farmers who, under God, have been more than military chieftains and statesmen.

I Am at Your Command.

As the fact stands, I can assure you of my appreciation and admiration for the mighty achievements that have been accomplished by you and those who preceded you, and I give you my pledge that the department which I have the honor to represent is thoroughly and heartily at your command and will serve you in any way it can, and you may require, in the splendid task of development.

Farmers Should Organize.

You know so well what you are about, and are doing so well what you have to do, that I shall suggest to you very little as to details and methods in your future work, but the little I hope may prove of some real service. First of all, there should be complete organization of the farmers of West Texas, by neighborhoods, counties and larger districts—both those in the separate branches of agriculture and all

together; and these associations should be affiliated and actively cooperate with the Texas Farmers' Congress and Texas Department of Agriculture, and in close touch with the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, and the experiment stations.

Second: Fraternity, brotherhood, should be assiduously cultivated and endorsed by the farmers of West Texas.

Third: The farmers of this section, through associations, institutes, conventions, committees and selected individuals, should apply themselves to the adoption of business methods and the establishment of agencies that will make their avocation a paying one.

Fourth: Through the same medium they should assemble and diffuse among themselves and apply the latest and best knowledge relating to irrigation, conservation of moisture, seed selection, cultural methods, stock farming, good roads, tree planting and the establishment of forest plantations or wood-lots; the elimination of waste, or rather the conservation of most of what is now allowed to go to waste, into dollars and cents; the beautifying of the home and all the subjects that affect their calling.

Fifth: The farmers of West Texas, and of all Texas as well, should thoroughly awaken to a profound and ardent realization of the fact that theirs is not only one of the oldest, but, above and beyond all others.

Sixth: If so much as a grain of antipathy yet remains in the breast of a single large ranch owner toward the incoming of farmers, it should be plucked out and he should substitute for it the paying settled policy of subdividing and selling his land to homeseekers if it is arable, and, if he wishes, keep a big farm for himself and raise crops and stock on it. By so doing he would in a few years realize ten times greater financial and other gains than he would be able to secure during the balance of his life by pursuing an opposite course.

Urges Stock Farming.

The fact that West Texas is particularly strong in the production of forage crops, marks it as an ideal region for profitable stock-farming, and in that direction I believe lies one of its greatest opportunities, one that I urge be taken advantage of as rapidly as possible. I wish to further and particularly emphasize also the great importance of tree planting about the home and in wood-lots.

Millions of fearless investigators are working in the open air, under the blessed sun, and dispensing knowledge as fast as they acquire it—the telegraph and printing press, rail-car and steamship, transplanting it to every door. The feeble push behind the chariot of progress has given place to a tremendous, incalculable, resistless impulsion that is being felt the world over, and that is being employed here in West Texas as hardly anywhere else on earth. I am proud of the fact, all Texas is proud of the fact. Go on, gentlemen, along the course you are pursuing, in the consciousness that you are state-builders, liberty-builders, builders of a fairer and better temple of human worth and happiness, and when the Gray Reaper gathers you to your grave, you will well deserve to have inscribed upon your tombs such an elegy as Bryant's "Thanatopsis," and the Muse of History and grateful posterity will do you justice.

A bright, neat, melodious entertainment entirely free from all suggestive characters, a comedy that commands the attention of sensible people, equipped with appropriate scenery, and a company of unusual excellence. Just what you will enjoy. The rural play, "Uncle Josh Jenkins," which will be at the opera house Friday, December 10.

Buy a Stamp.

The fight against tuberculosis is on in San Angelo, and it fairly bubbles. Red Cross Christmas stamps are on sale, the ones which have featured the two past Christmas seasons, and every one is being urged to use them, as "every stamp is a bullet in the fight against tuberculosis," according to the stamps themselves.

Red Cross stamps are today on sale in every nook and corner of the United States, and the fact that they have just recently reached San Angelo does not indicate that they will not receive equally as large a support as in other places. The women of the city have the sale of the stamps in charge, and they intend that every Christmas present sent outside or inside the city shall bear one.

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Then after you have proven to yourself what it can do, you will go to the druggist and get a 50-cent box. Don't undergo an operation. Operations are rarely a success and often lead to terrible consequences. Pyramid Pile Cure reduces all inflammation, makes congestion, irritation, itching, sores and ulcers disappear—and the piles simply quit.

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C. B. METCALFE.

Mrs. W. G. Wooten returned Monday to her home in McAlester, Ok.

Judge and Mrs. W. F. Fokes of Sherman left Monday for Waco. Judge Fokes is a delegate to the grand lodge of Masons.

A Need Supplied.

A complete medical bath room for the application of DRY HEAT has recently been established in our city by Mrs. Branch, at 137 West College avenue.

Since time immemorial heat has been used for the alleviation of pain from its application, by our grandmothers, of heated rags, stones, metal, etc., to the surface of the affected portions of the body, until today, as has been announced by a number of medical writers, an apparatus has been constructed on scientific principles, by means of which Dry Heat, or DRY HOT AIR, as you please, can be applied to the body at a temperature ranging from 250 to 450 degrees Fahrenheit, and even a few degrees higher. That such an intense heat must either do a good deal of injury or a good deal of good is plain. That it does no harm, everybody who has used the method can see for himself. Those suffering from pain like it. It makes them feel comfortable, but does not overheat them. It relieves pain in a few minutes. It reduces inflammation and absorbs effusion, which is so easily explained by the physiologic properties of heat; hence will cure any form of Arthritis in which the destruction done is not beyond repair. In colds the congestion of the nasal mucous membrane can be relieved by one treatment. Syphilitics obtain the same result as from Hot Springs. Chronic Ulcers are stimulated by heat, and with cleanliness, granulation will be produced and a cure established.

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Dr. C. E. Skinner, of New Haven, Conn., whose experience in sanitarium work extends over a period of four years, says, under microscopic and chemical observation made in connection with patients under his treatment, have demonstrated, first, that the number of white blood corpuscles is increased in different cases 15 to 50 per cent; second, the red-blood cells are increased 10 to 20 per cent; third, the quantity of urine passed in twenty-four hours succeeding treatment is usually increased 25 to 100 per cent over that passed in the 24 hours preceding; fourth, the quantity of urea excreted in the twenty-four hours succeeding treatment is increased 15 to 60 per cent over that excreted in the twenty-four hours previous.

The kidneys are incited to greater activity, dissolving the uric acid in the blood and eliminating it from the system through the natural channels. Perspiration is thrown off in large quantities and is more acid than normal, showing an increased chemical elimination from the blood, together with other impurities.

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Mrs. Branch is giving Vapor Baths at her home, 137 West College avenue.

Water!

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C. B. METCALFE.

J. F. Thorpe left Monday for Waco. Mrs. Cora Bent went to Fort Worth Monday.

Oscar Brant of Oklahoma City, after being in San Angelo several days on business, returned to his home Monday.

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SYSTEM OF IRRIGATION IN THE PECOS VALLEY

BY M. L. SWINEHART.

The irrigation of the wonderful Pecos Valley of Texas and New Mexico and its system of operation was discussed at length Tuesday morning at the West Texas Development Congress by M. L. Swinehart, the Pecos engineer, who has studied irrigation all over the West, whose complete address is given below:

Less than a decade ago, the free range of West Texas claimed the attention and occupation of prominent cattle owners, attracted by the natural advantages there presented.

To enjoy the greatest increase from their herds it was necessary to have a range furnishing sufficient water and pastures to properly nourish them.

The combination of a warm and dry climate and a freedom from harrassing insects made a section thus favored especially attractive to the occupation of cattle raising.

There might be expected the greatest percentage of increase with the minimum of loss and expense of maintenance.

For these reasons West Texas properly became known as the best cattle-breeding country in the United States, with the Pecos Valley as its most favored section.

With the passing of the free range came the leasing and enclosing of enormous ranches.

With the rapid increase in population came an increasing demand for farm houses, and, with the flood of immigration sweeping westward, the Pecos Valley found itself invaded by home-seekers and land agents.

The cow man, at first defiant, finally yielded gracefully and retreated from the disputed territory.

These home-seekers secured land from the great state of Texas, by settlement and the payment of a small sum of money.

They cleared the land of brush, sowed crops and planted trees.

The cattlemen smiled. As a result of their labors these new-comers were rewarded with crops of fruit, vegetables and grain.

The cattlemen wondered. Gradually this evolution continued until today the Pecos Valley stands the recognized equal of any section in the United States, in point of productivity of soil, healthfulness and desirability as a home.

Train loads of incoming home-builders now attract no more attention than the once familiar trains of cattle.

This sudden change has been produced largely by demonstrating the possibilities of the country through the medium of irrigation.

Irrigation and civilization may be regarded as almost equivalent terms.

On the parched sands of tropical Asia and Africa, the birth-place of civilization and the cradle of irrigation, was developed the earliest agriculture.

The human being originated in a tropical country where the rain fell was light and it was necessary to water artificially to procure the highest duty from the soil.

As man migrated to other countries in search of new territory and conquest, he found that humid conditions rendered farming possible without artificial watering. He promptly discarded what looked to him like wasted effort.

Thus originated "dry" farming. It is interesting, therefore, to note that irrigation was the leading feature of the earliest agricultural effort.

Farming without irrigation is comparatively a modern innovation.

Statisticians tell us that seven-eighths of the entire food products of the earth are still produced on irri-

gated lands. That system of farming is, therefore, not only the most ancient, but still the most important.

In the treatment of this subject reference will be made to the territory lying south of the Carlisbad project and commonly referred to as the lower Pecos Valley.

The area consists of 3,632,000 acres susceptible of intensified farming and capable of sustaining the maximum of vegetable, plant and animal life.

The natural slope of the land makes irrigation possible without the question of surface distribution and providing against excessive sub-irrigation being given much consideration.

The consistency of the soil permits of conducting water through canals, having a 75 per cent rate of grade without harmful erosion.

In the Pecos Valley the creeks or rivers making the irrigation of that valley possible are of very erratic behavior, alternating from destructive floods to periods approaching drought.

To secure the use of the maximum amount of water furnished, the construction of a series of reservoirs, for the conservation of the water at flood times, and the waste water, becomes necessary.

A number of locations visited with a view of determining their desirability for reservoir sites, were found to be very satisfactory.

Nature has made such provision in the form of water sheds, reservoir sites, dams and wasteways, that their further development is made most attractive to the investment of capital by reason of the returns offered.

Large numbers of springs are found, constant in flow, not being affected by freshet or drought.

The largest of these personally observed had a measured capacity of 66 cubic second feet.

Although located in a wonderfully productive valley, and favored by nature in many ways, about 60 per cent of this water is permitted to waste at present.

Other springs, having a sufficient capacity to warrant the construction of complete irrigation systems, are entirely neglected.

In the nine systems depending upon the Pecos river for water, only such acreage as can be served when the river is at its minimum stage can safely be considered, with the present lack of flood water conservation.

To care properly for the waters of the Pecos river at flood time is not a task for a single system to undertake, but one calling for the united action of all interested, and until such time as all persons and companies interested in obtaining the highest duty from the waters of the river join hands and fortunes in an effort to conserve such flood waters, the Pecos Valley will fall of the highest development.

In addition to the gravity system made possible by the waters of the Pecos river, Toyah creek and springs, the abundance of shallow water, available by pumping, is attracting the attention of the land owners whose property lies some distance from the streams.

The estimate of irrigable lands in the Pecos and Toyah Valleys can be safely placed at 2,636,000 acres, of which area only 340,640 acres has received any attention tending to irrigation.

The soil is of a remarkable depth and there is no raw sub-soil near the surface for the farmer to fear turning up.

It is mostly a sand and clay loam, strong, substantial and durable and productive to a degree unknown to the East.

With the irrigation, every acre of land under the canal is capable of producing crops of grain, alfalfa, fruit and vegetables.

In all the irrigated regions of the West the value inheres in the water rather than in the land. The amount of irrigation depending upon the

amount of water that can be collected and brought to the land, with the exception of a few cases, having but little value.

From reports of the thirteen most important irrigation systems of this valley, obtained from personal examination of the premises, and from the statements over the signature of the company's officers, and the following results and totals are obtained:

Nine systems depend upon the Pecos river for water; three upon Toyah creek, and one system obtains its entire supply from springs.

Actual work is now in progress which contemplates the construction of 283 miles of main canal and 975 miles of laterals, which will bring 340,640 acres under the ditch, and render it subject to irrigation.

Of this amount, 63,600 acres are now under irrigation, or 19 per cent of the acreage embraced in the proposed plans.

From the statements of the cost obtained from the constructing companies in this valley, and from personal observation here and in other localities, and estimate of cost to the land thus supplied with water would approximate \$30 per acre.

This will bring the total cost of the systems now under construction to \$10,219,200 with 19 per cent, or \$1,941,648 already expended.

A family of five placed on each 40 acres of this irrigated land would produce an increase in population of 42,575 people.

Estimating that within four years one-half of the 340,640 acres now embraced within this group of irrigation systems, be seeded to alfalfa and produces the low return of 5 tons per acre, you have a result of 85,660 tons, or 3462 trains of 25 cars each per annum.

At \$10 per ton, this alfalfa would sell for \$8,566,000.

There would still be one-half of the lands or 170,320 acres to be seeded to other crops.

Upon these facts rests the claim of the people of the Pecos Valley for recognition by the West Texas Development Congress.

Satisfied with smaller immediate returns, rather than wait a longer time for sure profits, the temptation to combine a land traffic with the business of irrigation overcomes the average investor. Thus we find nearly every irrigation system is owned and officered by men who are likewise interested in the ownership and sale of large tracts of land.

Men whose holdings in correlated irrigation systems are vitally in common, are often estranged, their joint interests seriously affected and their mutual advantages destroyed, because of false statements made, each against the other's property.

This continued, creates a spirit of antagonism that eventually ignores discretion, resulting in serious loss to the promoter and homeseeker alike. Thus the real purpose, that of development, is lost sight in the struggle which ensues.

To secure the desired development, there must exist a harmony of purpose, a unity of action.

To this end the co-operation of the various irrigation companies of the Pecos Valley becomes necessary.

Co-operation encourages organization.

Organization insures development. Failure to secure co-operative development, both in the proper conservation of the flood waters, and the proper division and distribution thereof may result negatively to the best interests of the Valley.

Such failure will encourage no only expensive and useless litigation, but will embarrass those financially interested, and retard the growth and development of a great and promising section of country—a country desired by man and approved by God, whose first command to man was to "replenish the earth and subdue it."

Newsies See Show.

Fourteen newsies from The Press-News office were the guests of Manager Coggin and the Yale theater last night at the presentation of "The Bishop of Biminger" by the Raymond Teal

Musical Company, and throughout the performance the house fairly rang with the laughter of the boys, whose regard for the hero and the heroine of the play was the very highest.

The presence of The Press-News carriers at the Yale was a very important event Tuesday night, and the item should appear in the society columns, but owing to the absence of the society editors from the play, it is presented in this column.

The star member of the force, who is known by the cognomen of "Muggsy," was deeply impressed by the acting of the heroine of the play. So intense was his interest in that character he attempted to shout out

at a very critical moment, when she was in apparent danger.

A vote of thanks was extended Manager Coggin for the hospitality by the boys.

Jams and Blockades.

Chadbourne street is often in a jam with vehicles, and more than once recently the lives of occupants of vehicles as well as foot pedestrians have been endangered. Since the increased traffic began—the beginning of the mad holiday rush—blockades on Chadbourne at Concho, Twohig and Beauregard, and other corners, have become more frequent.

Live Oak Trees.

"Glenmore," the swell south addition to San Angelo, will be beautified with live oak trees. I have the secret of transplanting live oaks so they will grow. They are everlasting trees, ever-green and finely shaped. When once started, no drouth, heat nor storms affect them.

Lots in "Glenmore" will be on the market as soon as the streets are graded, waterworks, electric lights and telephones put in.

CHARLES B. METCALFE.

D. H. Hamlin and son, Fred, returned to their home Tuesday in Abilene.

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Col. George Fabyan's cows march out of the electric-lighted barn at Riverside Villa, Geneva, Ill., every day at dawn. Each cow of a pure-blooded herd is tagged with a Swiss bell. The chimes are tuned to the scale, and the cow with the bell of lowest pitch gets out first.

The cows have to do a respectable musical stunt when they get out in the morning, because Walter Little, general superintendent at Riverside Villa, releases them in the right order, but there's an awful mess on over getting them back right at night.

Instead of beginning at the high notes and running down in proper cadences there's a gangle that sounds like the streets of Cairo mixed up with a spilled pan of dishes and a depot dinner gone.

Thus far the cows have not been dissuaded from a blind desire to just get in the barn any old way. Dahlia

jangles a B and Snowball rights the F above, and when they go in together sweet harmonies strige the ear, but this is followed close by A tied to Daisy, G and Violet and Sunflower wagging her head and smiting the air with low D. The result is a conglomeration of super-tonics and dominant sevenths, a cacophony of sound that would terrify a Strauss enthusiast.

"You see, there ain't no use a-trying to get 'em to go in right," Little explained apologetically, "because that calf ought to get in first and she's always behind. We might get the more intelligent cows to learn the scale, but after they had played the whole business back into the barn, here would come that calf banging high C after it was all over."

Dairy men around Chicago declare this is the most remarkable experiment ever tested on a model dairy farm. Several months ago Col. Fabyan espoused the idea that the music of sweet chimes would temper the disposition of the fancy blooded cattle.

It's a variation of a theory held by

Mrs. John Howey in Janesville, Wis., who plays a harp in the barn while the cows are being milked. So the best chimes that could be purchased were imported from Switzerland and duly attached to members of the Fabyan herd and the outcome is watched with abated interest.

It was weeks before the bells were adjusted properly. Magnolia, who couldn't endure a minor tone, kicked around in apparent distress and held up her milk. T major sang bothered Marigold just as much. These two chimes were switched and the effect was instantaneous; Magnolia and Marigold gave two pints more of milk and Marigold is the merriest cow in the herd.

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B. F. Cox went to Brownwood Monday on business.

Charley Green of this city left Monday for Ballinger on business.

"The Wizard of Oz" and the famous adventures of "The Scarecrow" and "The Merry Tin Woodman" through the wondrous "Land of Nod," are tales familiar to all of us—big and little. Who among us has not followed them in their merry mythical wanderings? "The Scarecrow" and "The Merry Tin Woodman" have both been brought to real life in famous stage impersonations that are startling and real.

In the rural play, "Uncle Josh Jen kins," which comes to the opera house Friday, December 10 there is a young man, Mr. Clyde Long, whose stage portrayal and character makeup of "The Scarecrow" is said to be little short of marvelous. Critics pronounce it as being a stage creation beyond comparison, one that must be seen to be appreciated. In scarecrow language he is described as being a person with a "stuffy, tired feeling, at times a little shaky on his pins. Some people take him for a man of straw, but he doesn't care for that, and his wondrous, broad smile is a sight to behold." The scarecrow dance, as done by Mr. Long, is one of the hits of the show.

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Candidate for Appeal Judge of Texas Says Greatness Will Result From Development Congress.

Jesse P. Yates, of Greenville, Tex., who is a candidate for Associate Justice of the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas, and also brother of Dr. G. M. Yates, of this city, arrived in San Angelo Tuesday afternoon. In speaking of San Angelo, West Texas and the West Texas Development Congress, Mr. Yates had many words of commendation.

"When the citizens of a country, state, community or city join together and strive to one end," he said, "there is surely some great result for the better to come. In the days of our forefathers, had they not joined hand in hand and fought side by side like brothers, there would have been no union of states today. What is now known as the greatest and most powerful nation of the world—the United States—would have been under the sovereignty of the country from which the sturdy men of this country alienated themselves in the latter part of the eighteenth century. To my mind, and I believe to all other true citizens of this Union, the day that the connection with England was severed is the greatest event in all our history.

"Time rolled on, however, and the men of this country prospered. Prosperity led to development. One will not stand without the other. And as development and prosperity blended, the idea of expansion entered the minds of our ancestors. Through purchases and wars, they succeeded in adding to the lonely thirteen states that was only the nucleus of this great nation, almost unlimited numbers of acres of fertile land. Annexations also brought in great amounts of fine soil. Among those annexations was Texas, the state which has more tillable soil than any other country in the world.

"The people of this state have in late years become aware of the fact that we have one of the finest chances in the world to make Texas the largest productive state in the world. That is why so many development organizations have sprung up. The development organizations, though, are to my mind, the greatest movements that could have been started by an intelligent, hard-working, diligent people. East, South and North Texas have reached the point where they can boast of their productions in undisputable tones. The day is coming, and it is near at hand, when West Texas will be able to say she is the finest industrial section of the United States, provided this West Texas Development

Congress carries out its motives. Since the beginning of that move I have kept tolerable close tab on it. I knew it would be of untold benefit to the people of West Texas if they would only work in harmony with it. From the way they have started, the West Texas Development Congress is an almost assured means of making West Texas what it really should be—the farming and enterprising section of Texas. In preceding years this part of Texas has been practically unknown to many people living in the distant and extreme eastern and southern parts of this state, further than that it was a part of Texas. They knew nothing of what the people could produce out here. They care nothing about what West Texas would or could do. Today they realize what it means to get a finger in the pie. It means that who comes first will be the one to realize more in the outcome. There is another important feature about West Texas that is a turn for the better. Ranching is not so extensive as it was in years ago. Ranches that included thousands and perhaps millions of acres ten years ago, are now being cut up into small farms and sold to the immigrating farmers from other parts of Texas and other states. The people of other sections of the country ten years ago thought it but a useless mission to come to this part of Texas to settle or buy land. They thought, which was practically true, that a man without an already accumulated fortune could not get hold of any land. By that I mean that a man had to buy a ranch or none. Small farms were practically unknown. The day is near at hand, however, when the ranch will be as scarce as the farm was ten years ago. West Texas is now experiencing its age or development. It will not be many years hence till West Texas will be saying who shall or who shall not serve in the executive, judicial or legislative capacity in this state. Then the eyes of the world will be turned on West Texas. Not in an envious manner, but in one that will be pleasing to the public.

"I therefore heartily endorse the movement now going on called the West Texas Development Congress."

IMMIGRATION.

Summers, of Dallas, Will Discuss the Class We Should Seek.

Hon. Hatton W. Summers, of Dallas, Texas, will be the first speaker on the program this morning at the West Texas Development Congress, and his subject will be "The Class of Immigration We Should Seek."

Mr. Summers is well known throughout Texas as a forceful speaker whose logic is sound and whose eloquence has swayed many a public gathering. He has been prominently connected with the politics of his county and state, and done much service of a legal nature for the Farmers' Union.

It is anticipated that a large attendance will be on hand promptly at 9 o'clock to hear him. Those having the matter in charge promise that every one will be well repaid for the time spent in listening to Mr. Summers' address.

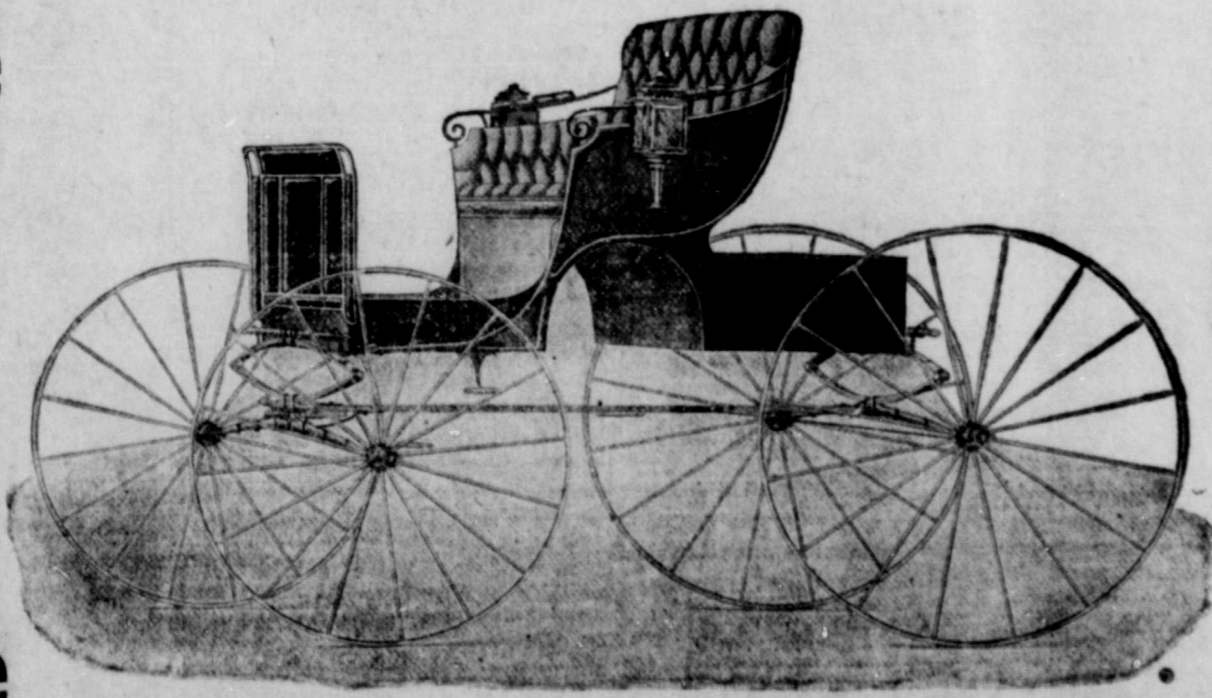
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guard against much lawlessness, and that they should have the same right in traveling as peace officers.

If the live stock sanitary appropriation be \$5000 more than it was back in 1893. Afterward an appropriation of the present inadequate \$15,000 was made. This increase has already been urged by a mass convention of cattle raisers, after conference with both United States and state animal industry experts, as a means of helping to offset the effort of some northern states to have Texas cattle barred on account of ticks in some parts of the state.

Pellagra Resolution.

San Angelo physicians reporting one fatal case and another now in existence, want some action on corn meal inspection in cases where the product is intended for use as human food. In this San Angelo sets the pace for all the world, due to the energetic and prompt action of San Angelo's physicians.

To Define Irrigation Rights.

Some defining of the riparian rights in streams the water of which is available for irrigation is declared imperative in order to secure capital for extensive irrigation projects—projects that will render fertile millions of acres in West Texas.

Irrigation bonding companies are declared to be the same attitude as railroads—eager to enter the promising field of West Texas, but fearful "They would rather have a fourth of the water they think they ought to be able to get than not to know how much they can definitely use," says M. L. Swinehart, expert irrigation man in charge of the Pecos river system. It's the old case of a man refusing to buy a lawsuit. The water is there and the fertile land to use it upon. But capital fears in the absence of a law defining the riparian rights that may establish a costly irrigation project only to later find the supply of water taken away, leaving only the costly enterprise as a monument to their business folly. It is declared there is no statutory provision along this line in Texas.

Wool standardization and war on the sheep scab are matters that are being urged by Judge Davidson of Ozona. A similar effort is being made by the Farmers' union to secure a standardization of cotton, in the belief that a fair value is not received by the producer.

Wolf Bounty Law.

The advocacy of a wolf bounty law seems to go without saying, all persons seeming to favor the measure in

the interest of the great live stock industry of the state.

A proposition that seems to cause much discussion before the body is that providing for county bonds for railroad building inducement. Considerable doubt is expressed as the possibility of passing a constitutional law on this topic. It is being urged, however, by some of the delegates and may find its way upon the floor of the convention before adjournment, although not included in the committee recommendations.

Resolutions that will be presented with the recommendation of the committee are as follows:

To the Members of the Thirty-second Legislature:

We, the people of West Texas, by their delegates in congress assembled at San Angelo, December 7, 1909, respectfully ask that you enact such general and special laws as may lead to the destruction of wolves and other wild animals whose existence is detrimental to the live stock industry of West Texas.

To the Members of the Thirty-second Legislature and to the Unknown Governor:

The West Texas Development congress in regular session at San Angelo, Texas, December 7, 1909, earnestly recommend that such legislation be immediately enacted as will entirely eradicate sheep scab from the state of Texas. Having thoroughly canvassed the matter, we feel that we are asking very little from our great state in comparison with the great good to be attained. The standing committees of this congress will cheerfully supply you with facts and such other data as you may ask for in the premises.

To the Congress of the United States:

West Texas, through its congress assembled in the city of San Angelo, December 7, 1909, respectfully asks that you enact a law permitting the standardizing of wool under the auspices of one of the national bureaus, to the end that experts recommended by the bureau of standards and regularly appointed under the civilservice, with salary and traveling expenses, be appointed to superintend the construction of wool conditioning plants, for the purpose of standardizing the wool conditioned by same, according to standards promulgated by the United States.

Resolved, That we oppose any reduction of the passenger rates on railroads in this state.

Whereas, there has been a great deal of agitation in the lay and medical press regarding the wide spread of pellagra in the southern states, and the same being, according to the authorities, due to low grade corn products made from bad corn and corn meal, we, the members of the medical profession, feeling that we represent the will and wishes of the profession

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of the state, suggest that in your memorial to the next legislature you make some demand on that body to the effect that corn that is to be prepared for human consumption shall have proper and effective state supervision and inspection.

Signed: S. C. Parsons, M. D.; E. O. Deal, M. D.; W. E. Sturgis, M. D.; C. T. Cooper, M. D.; J. S. Hixson, M. D.; Estes Paine, M. D.; G. W. Nibling, M. D.; Boyd Cornick, M. D.

That the homeseeker and investor may be secure in his home and investments, we recommend the passage of a law making the title to unpatented public lands conclusive and incontestable after the proof of occupancy has been filed in the land office and proof, if sufficient, issued them, and that interest be permitted to be paid

a revision of the mining laws of Texas, to be submitted to the next meeting of this congress, and, upon the adoption, to be laid before the legislature for consideration.

New Coal Survey.

Whereas, the continual development of the coal resources of this state is of the greatest importance to the industrial progress of the entire state,

And whereas the state publications on this subject are now out of print and impossible to obtain, there being now no state geological survey; and whereas there has been no adequate survey of the coal fields for nearly twenty years, during which time many valuable facts have come to light in respect to the extent of these fields and the quality of the coal to be secured.

Therefore, be it resolved by the

foundation of all progress and development is based on the success and prosperity of the producers from the soil.

Be it resolved, that it is to the direct interest of every calling that we bend every energy to the encouraging and promoting the owning of homes by those who till the soil, and this congress stands pledged to assist the producers in every way possible to procure fair prices for their products.

It is remarkable that every resolution has the unanimous approval of the committee.

As to the Territory.

The committee on recommendations of the territory to be included in the jurisdiction of the Congress asked for further time to formulate and submit its report, which request, on motion

that all resolutions so introduced be referred to the chairman of the resolutions committee without debate. Respectfully submitted.

L. M. BUIE, Chairman.

Elections Permanent.

On account of Temporary Chairman Bartholomew being recommended in the report for permanent chairman, the motion to adopt the report was put to the house by Judge L. M. BUIE, of Stamford, with the result that it was unanimously adopted and the temporary officers elected at the opening of the Congress were made permanent officials.

As the committee did not recommend the rules and order of business that the meeting should follow, Colonel A. J. Baker, of San Angelo, moved that the rules of the house of representatives of the state of Texas be adopted as the parliamentary rules governing the Congress, which motion was seconded by Delegate Hawkins, of Midland, after being informed that the rules were those of the state legislature and not of the national congress of the United States.

Chairman Bartholomew then announced that any one desiring to present resolutions to the Congress would be given an audience before the resolution committee and Chairman Turney of that committee called a meeting for 11 o'clock.

Judge T. C. Wynn, chairman of the committee of by-laws and constitution, announced that the committee would be entertained at the Landon hotel with a luncheon, during the progress of which there would be a general discussion of the work to be done by the committee.

Texas Illustrated.

President J. A. Arnold, of the Commercial Secretaries' Association, was then introduced to the Congress and delivered his illustrated lecture on Texas. Mr. Arnold was given the best of attention and although the hall in which the meeting was being held became so cold that it was necessary to put on overcoats, the delegates kept themselves warm by applauding the facts and figures about this state which Mr. Arnold has compiled. His plea was along the line that to develop Texas it was necessary to bring help from the outside. His reference to the work of the stork in Texas was the occasion of much amusement to the Congress. He declared that while the stork was doing a splendid duty for Texas, its work was too slow for commercial club work. The delegates began to laugh, and when he added: "And I might mention that one thing the legislatures of Texas have not attempted to regulate by statute is the flight of his noble bird," there was prolonged applause.

Judge Kone, Commissioner of Agriculture, was the next speaker. Judge Kone read an address on the subject of "Agriculture."

Farming Discussed.

Judge Kone pleader for organization among the people of every section of the state and particularly in this district. He declared that to develop the country it was necessary to cut up the big ranches and throw them open to settlement, and that when the sod was turned and the crops plowed it was then the duty of the farmers to diversify. He stated that prosperity to the farmer was but the blending together of forage crops.

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in advance on such purchases for a period of not exceeding ten years.

Whereas, live stock in Texas has an assessed valuation second only to real estate, the same being well distributed over the several counties, and whereas such live stock industry is not adequately protected and promoted by the state,

Therefore, be it resolved that this body recommend to the next legislature an appropriation of \$25,000 per annum for the support and maintenance of the state live stock sanitary commission while engaged in remedial or experimental work. Especially do we recommend that the law be so amended as to permit the said commission to retain in continuous service at an annual salary a competent veterinarian.

Whereas, the inspectors of the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas are in effect peace officers, preventing by their work the commission of many offenses against the laws of the state, saving thereby to the state and the several counties much expense in the matter of prosecutions, and

Whereas, the great extent of territory to be covered requires much railroad travel, entailing expense thereby, which the association is unable to bear,

Be it therefore resolved that this body favors an amendment to the anti-pass law of the state, permitting not to exceed twenty of such inspectors while actively engaged in their duties to ride on free passes.

We recommend the passage and enactment of specific law by the legislature of this state, defining the riparian rights and ownership of water available for use in irrigation.

Whereas the mineral resources of West Texas have not received the attention they merit and should have; and whereas there is a widespread feeling in West Texas that the mining laws of the state are not such as to attract the prospector and capitalist,

Therefore, be it resolved by the West Texas Development congress, meeting in San Angelo December 6-8, 1909, that the standing committee on mining and mining laws be charged specifically with the duty of framing

West Texas Development congress, meeting in San Angelo December 6-8, 1909, that the University of Texas, through its bureau of economic geology, be requested and urged to undertake a new survey of the coal fields of Texas, supplementary to the work that has already been done by the Texas geological survey, 1882-1892, and the University mineral survey, 1901-1905.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution, signed by the president and secretary of this congress, be forwarded to the chairman of the board of regents and to the president of the university.

Resolved that it is the sense of this congress that we extend to Hon. Ed R. Kone, commissioner of agriculture, and Hon. William B. Phillips, director of the bureau of economic geology, our thanks and appreciation of their presence and co-operation with the West Texas Development congress.

To Preserve Bird Life.

Resolved that the congress urge such legislation as may be necessary, and such educational influence as can be brought to bear, for the preservation of bird life in the state.

It is a fact that in localities west of the 98th meridian where topographical conditions are favorable to the conservation of the storm waters, and where there are running streams, irrigation enterprises can be established which would add millions of dollars in the development of West Texas. We therefore invoke the general government through its irrigation department to make such surveys in West Texas, pointing out the most favorable localities for such irrigation enterprises as will assist our people in soliciting capital in development of same.

Whereas, it is agreed by all that the

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Hundreds Partook of the Hospitality of San Angelo Ladies Tuesday Evening at Armory.

Serving a menu of considerable rarity, which consisted of genuine Mexican dishes, a banquet was given the delegates to the West Texas Development Congress at the armory barracks Tuesday night.

Several hundred people were present and those who have been questioned about the banquet declare that it was well prepared and the ladies who did it won lots of praise.

To Hon. Brown F. Lee, toastmaster, several toasts were made. Among the toast-makers was Col. Lopus J. Wortham, the editor of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, and who is also a former member of the Texas legislature. His subject was "The West as an Economic and Commercial Factor." With his wit and humor, in connection with the genuine flow of oratory, his talk was declared to be one of the most proficient ever delivered before an assembly of citizens in San Angelo.

Hon. W. A. Wright, of this city, was on for a toast, he taking for his subject "The Bench, Bar and Courts of West Texas." Judge Wright, in his easy and graceful manner, delivered one of his eloquent addresses, which dwelt with a very weighty subject concerning West Texas.

The other speakers on for toasts who responded were: Hon. John Maddox, Hon. M. L. Swinehart, Judge L. M. Buie, Hon. W. S. Hawkins and W. B. Phillips of Austin.

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cotton, hogs and live stock. His address was well received.

After voting to President Arnold, of the Commercial Secretaries' Association, and Judge Kone a vote of thanks for their addresses. Homer D. Wade moved that the Congress adjourn until 1:30 p. m., at which time it would be possible to have heating facilities to warm the hall. The motion was carried unanimously, and the Congress adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

Afternoon Session.

The afternoon session of the Congress was called to order at 2 o'clock, and Chairman Bartholomew introduced Judge Charles E. Davidson, of Ozona, whose theme was "The Needs and Possibilities of the Wool Growing Industry of West Texas." Judge Davidson plead for the meek and humble sheep who had done so much for mankind and urged the adoption of resolutions requesting the legislature to take action to protect the industry from disease and for a bounty law.

The next address was that of Hon. James Callan, president of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association. Mr. Callan made one of the best speeches heard during the sessions of the Congress. He placed himself on no uncertain ground and declared that the interest of the farmer was the interest of the stockman. He told the members of the Congress the history of the cattlemen. He closed with a tribute to San Angelo that displayed a heart filled full of sentiment; a heart that beat in unison with the melody of sweet recollections and the echo came to him from his audience in the shape of prolonged applause. Every one was unanimous in the verdict that the Hon. James Callan has developed into an orator that is to be reckoned with at future public gatherings.

The committee on credentials submitted its report, which provided that the territory to be embraced in the jurisdiction of the Congress be fixed as follows:

Territory Included.

All that part of Texas west of the 98th meridian and north of the 29th parallel, including all counties through which the line passes, and that all counties immediately adjoining the counties bordering on the territory as here outlined may be admitted to the Congress territory upon application through delegates to the Congress.

Fort Worth Included.

Mayor Paul moved the adoption of the report, which motion, after being duly seconded, was declared open for discussion by the chair. D. C. McCaleb, of San Angelo, on being recognized by the chairman, moved to amend the report so as to include Tarrant county, declaring that he believed in staying by the people who had stayed by you. He declared that Fort Worth and Tarrant county were the friends of West Texas and he believed it to be the duty of the Congress to include Tarrant county. His motion was seconded by Colonel A. J. Baker, of San Angelo, who declared the motion should carry, if for no other reason than that the Congress could not afford to lose the assistance of Col. Louis J. Wortham, which statement received liberal applause. Hon. James Callan also seconded the motion, declaring that he thought Tarrant county should be admitted with-

out having to ask the privilege again. Mr. Jennings, of the committee, took the floor and declared that the committee had given the matter careful attention and took the precaution to submit the report of Col. Wortham, who agreed that it was in proper form and requested that Tarrant county be admitted under its terms. After the matter was thus explained, the motion to amend the original motion to adopt the committee's report was withdrawn and the report adopted. Thereupon Judge T. C. Wynn, of San Angelo, moved that Tarrant county be made a part of the district, which motion unanimously carried.

West Texas Agriculturing.

C. B. Metcalfe, of San Angelo, then delivered his address on the subject "West Texas as a Farming Country and How It Can Be Developed." He was in a happy humor and kept the Congress in laughter during half the time he spoke, but also impressed upon them his ideas of how this section can be developed into a farming country. His line of reasoning included the proposition that a farmer should be a fixture to his land—should own his home. He also suggested that farms should be sold on a similar plan to that employed in selling homes on the installment plan in towns and cities.

Our Coal Resources.

William B. Phillips, director of the Bureau of Economic Geology, University of Texas, was the next speaker. He had for his theme "The Coal Resources of West Texas." His paper was instructive and interesting and when he had finished, the Congress gave him a rising vote of thanks. His speech in full appears in another part of this paper.

Irrigation.

M. S. Swinehart, of Pecos, Tex., closed the day's proceedings with an address upon "A Report of the Irrigation system of the Pecos Valley." He took occasion to touch upon the need of legislation, defining the rights of land owners to the waters of the state. His address was a clear statement of the possibilities of irrigation with a history of its accomplishments, leading down to the development of the Pecos Valley. On motion made by Judge Edward R. Kone, of Austin, he was given a vote of thanks by the Congress for his address.

The meeting adjourned to meet this morning at 9 o'clock, at which time Hon. Hutton W. Summers of Dallas, will address the Congress on "The Class of Immigration We Should Seek."

Haley Called Home.

J. D. Haley, of Sweetwater, member of the resolutions committee of the West Texas Development Congress, was called home Tuesday night by a message stating that his young son had been seriously injured in a runaway. At the last report the young man had regained consciousness, but was still considered in a serious condition.

Tuesday's Session.

The congress was called to order promptly at 9:30 Tuesday morning by Temporary Chairman Bartholomew, the first order of business being the report of the committee on credentials, which report was read by the chairman. The report, which was unanimously adopted, reads as follows: Hon. W. T. Bartholomew, Chairman: We, your committee on credentials, beg to report that we find from the register kept by the secretary of this congress that 122 delegates from twenty-four counties have registered, and we respectfully recommend these delegates, a list of which, with their respective counties, is hereto attached, together with all others from Tom

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Edward R. Kone, the secretary of Agriculture of the state of Texas, leaves Wednesday afternoon for his home in Austin. Mr. Kone has spent the past several days in San Angelo and addressed the West Texas Development Congress and likewise the Tom Green County Farmers' Institute during his stay. This is not his first visit to San Angelo, but he admired its looks mightily. Mr. Kone is more interested in the development of this part of the state than any other, for he sees greater promise for the farmer and stock raiser here.

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- First Race—3-8 mile, for horses never run for money. Weights 150 pounds. Purse \$50.00.
- Second Race—Saddle-horse race. Purse \$35.00.
- Third Race—6 1-2 furlongs, running race. Purse \$100.00.
- Fourth Race—1-2 mile pacing race, heats 2 and 3. Purse \$100.00.

Third Day, December 25th

- First Race—7-8 mile running race. Purse \$150.00.
- Second Race, for little boys, 1-8 mile. Purse \$10.00.
- Third Race—1-2 mile running race. Purse \$100.00.
- Fourth Race—1-2 mile, best 3 and 5, pace, free for all. Purse \$100.00.
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CREAMERY FOR THIS CITY NEARLY CERTAIN

A Second Committee Appointed by Business Club Comes to a Conclusion on Quinn Offer.

From the present outlook San Angelo has got a creamery cinched. The committee appointed to investigate the proposition sifted the affair to the bottom, and it is said that they found it to be a good paying and substantial business enterprise that this city can not well do without.

At present J. W. Quinn, who made San Angelo the proposition, is out of the city. He is to be telegraphed about the committee's decision and request will be made for his return.

For several weeks this creamery proposition has been hanging fire. A committee was appointed by the Business club directly after Mr. Quinn made his offer. Owing to the fact that this committee could not reach a decision such as would enable it to make a report to the Business club, a second committee was appointed, consisting of two men. The last committee has about completed its investigation to a point where a report can be submitted to the Business club favoring the offer.

When the Business club acts upon the subject a location will be selected, so it is understood.

While Mr. Quinn is ignorant of the fact that his proposition has been practically accepted, it is almost a certainty that he will return at an early date to begin the real work of building it.

San Angelo has for several months been figuring on a creamery. It was a business enterprise that suited everybody, but no one could be found to take hold of it.

Plans are to be made in the ownership of the creamery by which one local man will own the controlling interest. It will be built and managed by someone in this city, who will naturally take moer interest in it than any outside person. According to one member of the committee, the product

of about 250 cows will be consumed by the creamery. It is also contemplated that nothing but thoroughbred Jersey cows will be used.

Texans in New York.

The following people from Texas were registered at the New York hotels during the past week:

- Dallas, Mrs. P. Sanger, Wellington;
- Austin, Mrs. Knsolving, Park Avenue church, Astor House.
- E. R. Stewart, Astor House; J. T. Upchurch, Fifth Avenue hotel.
- Houston—Mrs. L. F. Breaker, Martha Washington.
- Galveston—Mrs. C. Travler, Seville; Mrs. R. B. Hawley, Walcott.
- San Antonio—W. F. Hannes, Breslin.
- El Paso—H. M. Perry, Webster.
- Houston, J. E. Browne, Manhattan;
- H. Prince, St. Andrew; Mr. and Mrs. G. H. McTeague, Navarre.
- Galveston—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Morton, Navarre; Miss L. Lawler, Seville; Miss M. McVier, Seville.
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- Austin—G. H. Krusoling, Park Avenue.
- Waco—S. Davis, Cumberland.
- Fort Worth—Mr. and Mrs. F. Gray, Park Avenue hotel.

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WHEREAS, said hogs marketed to said date numbered 20,040,000 which at two pounds per head less in average weight would bring the gross shortage in weight up to 1,026,480,000 pounds and

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MINERAL FUEL PRODUCTION ESSENTIAL IN DEVELOPMENT

BY WILLIAM B. PHILLIPS.

On the subject, "The Coal Resources of West Texas," before the West Texas Development Congress Tuesday, William B. Phillips, director of Economic Geology at the University of Texas, said:

There are two things that are absolutely essential for the industrial development of a nation or a state—water and fuel. Of these two the more important is fuel. We may be able to accomplish our ends with a minimum of water, but fuel we must have whether for the ordinary domestic purposes or for the larger affairs of industry and trade. The growth of this nation may be accurately measured by the increase in the production of mineral fuel. It is a trade barometer that never lies. During the last twenty-eight years we have seen the most wonderful development of the American nation and if we examine into the production of coal during this period we shall see to what extent it may be relied upon to provide an accurate index to this tremendous prosperity. In the year 1880 the total coal production of the United States was 71,481,570 tons, while in the year 1908 it reached the stupendous amount of 415,842,698 tons, an increase of 33,695 tons a day for the entire period of 10,220 days. For each ton of coal that was mined in 1880 we mined nearly six tons in 1908.

Texas Out of Pace.
Rapid as has been the progress in Texas during this period, in very many respects we have not kept pace in the production of coal. It was not until the year 1883 that we reached a production of 100,000 tons a year, but during the 25 years following our total production amounted to 16,490,718 tons, valued at \$28,391,760. The entire production of coal (and lignite) in Texas from the earliest records to the close of the year 1908 is about the same as the production of the country at large in the year 1861, about one-tenth of what it was in 1890 and about one-seventeenth of what it was in 1900. In comparison with the other states we are steadily losing ground, although gaining, each year, over the production of the preceding year.

Production Since 1883.
The production and value of the coal and lignite in Texas has increased hundreds of times since 1883, viz: In 1883 the production of 100,000 tons was valued at \$175,000, and in five years a value of \$184,000 was placed on 90,000 tons, the entire output of that year.

In 1893, 308,206 tons were produced and the value was \$688,407. The production increased annually, as did the value, and in another five years, 1898, the value of Texas coal was \$1,139,763. The production in that year was 688,734 tons.

It was not until 1901 that the production of Texas coal went past the million ton mark, when the value was placed at \$1,907,024. In 1908 Texas mines produced 1,895,377 tons, and the value was \$3,419,481.

Bituminous Coal.
Since the year 1883 we have produced 16,490,718 tons of coal, valued at \$28,391,760. Where was this coal produced? The returns for 1908 show that the following counties produced bituminous coal: Erath, Maverick, Palo Pinto, Parker, Webb, Wise, Young.

The output from these counties was 1,947,407 tons, valued at \$2,580,991.

Lignite Counties.
In the year 1908 the following counties produced lignite: Bastrop, Fayette, Hopkins, Houston, Leon, Madina, Milam, Robertson, Wood.

The output from these counties was 847,970 tons, valued at \$838,490. The total production in 1908 of coal and lignite was 1,895,377 tons, valued at \$3,419,481, the largest output and the highest value during our history. There were employed in this industry in 1908 4,400 men. What bearing have these statistics on the purposes of this Congress? We have met here to discuss ways and means for developing West Texas and the development of North Texas and East Texas and South Texas. The progress of all of Texas, from Texarkana to El Paso, and from Texline to Sabine Pass, one for all and all for one.

West Texas Production.
In so far as concerns this paper and our present purpose we may, I think, confine ourselves to the bituminous coal area within reach of San Angelo, i. e., the counties of Erath, Palo Pinto, Parker, Wise, Young, etc. It is not likely that under present transportation rates the lignites could come into use here or that the bituminous coals of Maverick and Webb counties are available. In speaking of San Angelo, I use the term as commensurate with West Texas generally. I am not sure in my own mind as to what is the proper area to be embraced in the term West Texas, opinions on this subject may and doubtless do differ materially, but in order to have some basis for these remarks I am inclined to take the term as signifying, in a general way, the area embraced in the following boundaries: On the north line the 33rd degree of N. latitude running through the southern part of the counties of Yoakum, Terry, Linn, Garza, Kent, Stonewall, Haskell and Throckmorton; the east line the 99th degree west longitude running through Cisco, in Eastland county, and Brownwood in Brown county; the south line the 30th degree of N. latitude running through the counties of Kerr, Edwards, Val Verde and Terrell, inclusive also of those portions of Terrell, Brewster and Presidio, which are south of this line; the west line would extend to El Paso. In this area there would be the following counties: Parts of Yoakum, Terry, Linn, Garza, Stonewall, Haskell, Throckmorton, Stephens, Eastland, Brown, San Saba, Gillespie, Kerr and Val Verde (area 374 square miles, population in 1900, 18,850), and the fol-

lowing counties entire: Gaines, Dawson, Borden, Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Shackelford, Callahan, Coleman, McCulloch, Mason (very nearly), Kimball, Sutton, Crockett, Menard, Schellcher, Concho, Tom Green, Runnels, Taylor, Coke, Nolan, Irion, Sterling, Mitchell, Reagan, Glasscock, Howard, Upton, Midland, Martin, Crane, Ector, Andrews, Ward, Winkler, Loving, Terrell, Pecos, Reeves, Brewster, Presidio, Jeff Davis and El Paso (area 71,087 square miles, population in 1900, 126,919). The area embraced in these counties and parts of counties is 74,861 square miles, and the population in 1900 was 145,659, and may safely be taken now at 300,000.

Discussed Railroads.
The main railroads traversing this area are: The Texas & Pacific, the Texas Central, the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe, the Fort Worth & Rio Grande, the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient, the Wichita Valley, the Pecos River, the Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific and the Southern Pacific. The total railroad mileage at present is 1891 miles, equivalent to about 40 miles per 1000 square miles or area and 6.6 miles per 100 inhabitants.

The railroads that enter the coal fields are the following: Texas & Pacific, Fort Worth & Rio Grande, Texas Central, Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe. There are two roads that penetrate excellent coal areas, but as they are beyond the limits assigned for the purposes of this paper, they are not here included. They are the Wichita Falls & Southern, running from Wichita Falls south into Young county, and the Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf, running from Bridgeport to Graham.

Coal Counties Proper.
The counties in Texas that may be regarded as coal counties, within the scope of this paper, are the following: Montague, Clay, Wise, Jack, Parker, Palo Pinto, Young, Stephens, Erath, Eastland, Comanche, Brown, Coleman, Shackelford, Callahan, and parts of Hood, San Saba and McCulloch. For the present, however, actual operations are confined to the counties of Erath, Palo Pinto, Parker, Wise and Young. The total area represented by all the counties mentioned is 15,229 miles, all of this, of course, can not be taken as commercial territory. Perhaps it would be within bounds to say that about 7000 square miles would represent the area within which workable seams of coal may be found.

Geographical Estimates.
The estimates of Mr. M. R. Campbell, of the United States Geological Survey, show that the known workable coal in Texas occurs over an area of 8209 square miles and that there are, in addition 5300 square miles which may contain workable seams. This estimate includes the coal fields of Webb and Maverick counties, on the Rio Grande.

By far the greater territory in Texas occupied by workable seams of coal is within easy reach of West Texas. If we take San Angelo as the center of the industrial area the farthest northeastern limit of the coal fields is but 216 miles distant, while the center of the coal fields is but 150 miles distant. In other words, the transportation of coal from the center of the fields would involve a haulage of 150 to 200 miles in order to reach San Angelo and West Texas generally, but the most populous parts of the state as well. If we take Thurber as a center and draw a circle of 150 miles radius it would extend on the north to a point 36 miles beyond the Red river; on the northeast to beyond Greenville, Hunt county; on the east to about the center of Van Zandt county; on the southeast to Jewett, Leon county; on the south to about the center of Kimble county; on the west to the west line of Mitchell county, and on the northwest to the center of Dickens county. It would include such cities and towns as Fort Worth, Dallas, Sherman, Gainesville, Kaufman, Greenville, Hillsboro, Waco, Temple,

Brady, Brownwood, Abilene, Sweetwater and San Angelo. It would embrace the heart of Texas. The coal fields to which West Texas look for cheap fuel are well provided with railroads. An examination of the map issued by the Texas Railroad Commission, and the best map of Texas which we have, shows that in so far as concerns the transportation problem, one could recommend not more than two additional roads. The Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf should be extended from Graham, Young county, to Stamford, Jones county, by way of Crystal Falls, Stephens county, and Old Fort Griffin, Shackelford county, thus tapping the coals that lie along and adjacent to the Clear Fork of the Brazos river. The additional construction would be about ninety miles. Or, the Wichita Falls & Southern railway, running from Wichita Falls into Young county, should be extended to Cisco and Brownwood, by way of Crystal Falls and Breckenridge, Stephens county, a railroad distance of about one hundred and twenty-five miles.

Undeveloped Fields.
Either of these roads would penetrate an undeveloped coal field of good promise, namely around Crystal Falls, while the road from Graham to Stamford would have the additional advantage of tapping that portion of the field lying between Crystal Falls and Old Fort Griffin, it would also come into close touch with the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient railway, destined to become a great trunk line from Kansas City to the Gulf of California. It will need a great deal of coal itself, and will traverse a region of vast possibilities. In Texas it does not touch any coal field, but is some sixty miles west of any known coal of commercial importance.

The construction of 225 miles of railroad would open up practically all of the undeveloped coal fields in Texas, and would unite the coal-carrying roads into a harmonious system, reaching into every part of the state, and capable of supplying a much larger proportion of our domestic and industrial fuel than is now the case. In the development of the adjacent coal fields West Texas is vitally concerned. It is upon coal of native origin that its hopes and plans must depend, for there can be no real or lasting progress without regular supplies of cheap and efficient fuel.

OLD BACHELORS!

A Business Proposition.

There are a few old bachelors in San Angelo, and others coming. It is deplorable to see these good men go to waste. Modesty and their uncertainty as to making a woman happy are the only reasons why they do not marry, for they are not misers. In order to be complete citizens, they must have wives.

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about shortage of freight cars. I learn, come from the concerns that have goods to transport great distances. The short hauls do not seem to be bothered so much in this respect. At Jersey City, Hoboken, as well as Northern New York, are the sections suffering most for want of terminal facilities in the East. The same is true in Chicago, San Francisco and Pittsburg. The American Railway Association each month gets reports of the exact number of surplus or idle freight cars, and reduces the matter to cold figures. I find these figures fail to convey a clear idea of the amount of capital tied up in this equipment which brings no returns to the railroads. Just now private sidings of carload shipping industries hold a large number of cars are lost sight of while they are being sent through the switching movements in large cities."

Fruit growers and shippers of the Pacific Coast, Middle West and South are clamoring for better transportation of their products while the iron and steel industries contend that they, too, are suffering for want of sufficient cars. The law presumes, and the charters of most of the railroads explicitly provide that the railroad shall have sufficient equipment to take care of all the traffic tendered it by the people who depend upon it for service. This is the phase of the question which some of the railroads fear, but who shall say when the equipment of a railroad is adequate? I was told that a secret investigation is now being made by a combination of transcontinental shippers to ascertain exactly how the railroad companies are actually hauling their goods. Upon the results of this checking up, it is expected a bona fide case of neglect and violation of their charters can be fastened upon several of the big transportation companies.

The Interstate Commerce Commission in 1907 compiled a lot of railroad statistics which present a curious phase of this question. This report shows that the stocks and funded debts of all the railroads in the United States amounted to \$16,082,146,683, and the total assets amounted to \$18,885,095,975. The equipment figures up to \$958,809,305. This is a side of the question which the shipper seldom even gives a thought, and the investigation now under way and the facts gathered by it, which are to be laid before the federal authorities at Washington, will be sure to bring out this and more from the railroad people. The "cost of the road," as shown in this report, amounts to \$12,071,533,023. The railroads have about 22,000,000 freight cars, and I find that the American railway association reports the surplus for 1908 amounted to a little over 25 per cent of the total.

President James J. Hill, of the Great Northern railway system, told me recently that the clamor about freight car shortage was a mistaken idea, that the lack of terminal facilities was the only reason for shippers not being able to get all the freight cars they needed.

President B. F. Yoakum, of the Frisco system, told me he had absolutely no complaint about shortage of freight cars from any of the districts touched by his lines. "Every one of our cars is on the move and attending to business," he said. "We have splendid engines and our equipment is ample. Our southwestern shippers seem to be pleased with the service we are rendering."

It is quite evident that there is a lot of trouble in store for the transportation companies, which it is claimed are discriminating against the shippers of fruit and other perishable goods. These New York wholesalers have no hesitancy in saying to me that it looks very much to them as though at least some of the railroad companies are catering to the big steel and iron industries as well as the Standard oil and other big corporations, in the transportation of their freight. This seems to be the line of argument which will be presented to the government. A determined effort is going to be made during the winter and spring to solve this situation, or at least get a more satisfactory answer or explanation from the railroad authorities.

The apple growers of the Northwest as well as the farmers of the Middle West, are also among those who are complaining. In addition to the great fruit concerns of the Pacific coast and Gulf states. One wholesaler told me the other day, if it is possible for a close relative of the president of one of the big western railroads to have a car load of California fruit put into New York within five days, he can see no good reason why the great fruit concerns of the country cannot be equally well treated.

The National Biscuit Company of New Jersey, is anxious to do business in Texas, paying to the state department \$55,000, the other day for permission to do so for the next ten years. One of the New Jersey officials told me to his knowledge this is the largest fee ever paid by any corporation

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to do business in Texas, and was paid on a total capitalization of \$55,000,000. "I understand a lot of Texans with interests in New York were instrumental in inducing this New Jersey capital to go to the Lone Star state," said my informant. "Down our way we feel that we need a little Northern capital at present, but like President Yoakum, of the Rock Island-Frisco railway system, said when he talked about the improvement of our public highways, what we needed was simply a glimpse of the way things are done in the North, together with a little temporary assistance from that section, and we will soon be able to get along equally well alone."

Fruit dealers and shippers are still very much annoyed because their products are delayed on account of trouble with the rates and the cars which the transportation lines have been furnishing. Co-operation with the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Shippers' Protective Association is planned by the National League of Commission Merchants, a prominent New York fruit commission man tells me, in connection with the efforts to secure a reasonable adjustment of rates on fruits and vegetables from the South. The Georgia and Florida section claims discrimination against it in many rates, in favor of other producers and territories that ship similar products during the same period, approximately. The Florida fruit people are contending for the establishment of similar through rates and minimums on carload shipments of their products from the shipping points to the markets, particularly to receiving centers in which no through rates are now operative, though badly needed. They are also clamoring for the inauguration of carload rates for mixed shipments of fruit and vegetables, many combined shipments being obliged to take less than carload rates under present conditions. This, I find, works a hardship all round excepting to transportation lines. Fruit is delayed and excessive prices having to be demanded, results in competitors being able to undersell the Southern markets.

Joshua Strange, of Indiana, who was elected president of the Farmers' National Congress, at the closing session held in Raleigh, N. C., recently, was in the city this week. He said the farmers of the West, only a few years ago had to come East to get in touch with the best modern methods of raising their crops, but that now he was sure it would be a good scheme for the owners of the many neglected farms he saw on his way to New York if they would go Southwest and see how the introduction of modern ideas has enabled them to grow splendid crops in territory that but a few years ago was considered scarcely worth tilling.

"We had a fine meeting at Raleigh

and I know that much good will result from it," said he. "State Horticulturist Hutt, of North Carolina, made a great impression on all of us when he discussed 'The Advantages of the South for the Growing of Fruits,' because we have felt for the past few years that ultimately we would be compelled to depend on the Pacific coast almost exclusively for our choice fruits."

The rural play, "Uncle Josh Jenkins," which comes to the opera house Friday, December 10, is truly an American comedy set to catchy music. Unlike the usual so-called musical comedies, this play contains a real plot, with an interesting story, set in a jolly, jingling romp of rollicking music. Not a jumble of old "coon songs," but a merry swing of melody that charms and delights the ear; real music, sung with a vim and a dash that causes the blood to tingle and the feet to patter. A style of performance that will please all people who appreciate common sense comedy.

Ice cream all winter. Phone 913. F. H. Rickett went to Ballinger Tuesday on business.

J. P. Yates of Greenville arrived in the city Tuesday, visiting his brother, Dr. G. M. Yates.



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BOY'S FUN ENDS DISASTROUSLY

ANDREW MCSHEA GETS INJURIES INTENDED FOR DOG.

HAND IS BADLY BURNED

Saturating Coat Sleeve in Gasoline, Twelve-year-old Foolishly Lights Fire.

Andrew McShea, aged 12 years, lies at the home of his parents on East Harris avenue, suffering from injuries which he intended for a little yellow canine, and just because he failed to exercise only a little judgment before attempting the "joke" on the dog. The little fellow's right arm and hand are entirely devoid of skin covering from burns which he received Tuesday afternoon.

Andrew, a companion and the dog happened upon a can of gasoline in the rear of the Yale theater; likewise an old hat brim. They decided that the hat brim around the dog's neck and affix would be great sport, so Andrew proceeded to saturate the brim in the gasoline before administering the "debree" to the pup.

During the process of saturating the brim in the oil Andrew also soaked his arm and coat sleeve quite thoroughly.

Andrew's companion, Willie Jones, aged 12, lighted the hat brim preparatory to placing it around the dog's neck, which would have been quite disastrous to the pup in the end, but he did not succeed in that act, for accidentally Andrew's right arm was ignited and was soon ablaze. The little fellow ran down the alley screaming with fright and pain.

With the aid of his hat H. J. Vineyard, who was near, extinguished the blaze, only after the skin had been burned off the hand and the coat also burned.

Re-Appointed.
Publishers' Press.
Washington, Dec. 7.—F. K. Lane was today re-appointed Interstate Commerce Commissioner for a term of seven years.

CANADA WILL CONTROL ALL BOATS BUILT

Ottawa, Can., Dec. 7.—When the imperial council for defense sent from London recommendations that included the construction, manning and operation of a war navy, protests arose from all parts of this country. The actual government measure presented by Sir Wilfred Laurier to the house of commons has caused another outburst, which indicates clearly that many Canadians look forward to ultimate independence.

The defense council suggested that Canada build one Dreadnought, three cruisers, six destroyers and six submarines, beginning with the Dreadnought. The Laurier bill calls for three cruisers and four destroyers, which will cost about \$8,000,000 to build and \$1,500,000 a year to maintain.

The Winnipeg Tribune says editorially: "Anybody knows that Canada's naval program, as at present roughly outlined, is not designed to be of the slightest use to Great Britain."

Sir Wilfred himself stated on the floor of the house that the Canadian fleet would not be under orders from London and would not even participate in naval warfare as a British ally, unless specifically ordered to do so by the Canadian parliament. Everything points to a general move by the liberal party toward finally severing the bonds which bind Canada to Britain and setting the Dominion forth a free republic, a new nation.

"If we have no voice in making peace or war," says the Montreal Herald, "how can we with safety abandon the right to follow what course we please? Unquestionably, being who we are, our fleet will under almost any conceivable circumstances co-operate with the British navy when war ensues. But the power of veto in a matter of such moment must be retained."

The Toronto Globe speaks in a similar strain. "Our fleet, when we have one," says the Globe, "should be under the control of the Canadian people, and it will be as much a part of the British fleet as it needs to be."

The Ottawa Citizen states its case as succinctly. "Should the day come,"

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Brooches, Stick Pins, Beauty Pins, Belt Pins—rich assortments of many styles in each, priced at from 25c upward.

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Barrettes in amber, shell and jet, many styles and all sizes, a very large assortment; 10c and upward.

Veiling Bows, all colors and of the best grade of silk veiling, large and small sizes, prices are 15c or 25c

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THE HOUSE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY.

says the Citizen, "when the country that was the cradle of liberty proves recreant to traditions, then Canada will disown that country and change its flag instantly."

After being here for several days visiting friends, Miss Stella Atkins of Lometa, returned to her home Tuesday afternoon.

The best founts serve Potter's 100 Per Cent Pure Ice cream.

Mrs. A. L. Davis of Corsicana, after being in this city for several days visiting relatives, left for her home Tuesday afternoon.

Pay Your Poll Tax

The city and county tax collectors are looking forward to the latter days of January with rather unpleasant thoughts, for at the present low rate the poll taxes are being made, the rush is bound to be made then.

The number of receipts issued at either office has not reached the 100 mark; in fact, when both records are combined, the number is only slightly in the increase of that number.

MARKETS.

Stocks.

Publishers' Press.
New York, Dec. 7.—The stock market responded to the tone of Taft's message and was strong today. St. Louis and Southwestern gained 3 points, and other issues went up. Union Pacific went up a point in the real trading, and there was a great demand for it. Steel common advanced a point and crossed 90.

Despite the Northwest strike, the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern showed strength and made big gains. Pennsylvania was inactive. The heavy selling of the United States steel issue did not effect it. Rock Island issues were fractionally lower. At noon it was reported on the street that the switchmen's strike had been broken. An increase of dividend on the St. Louis & Southwestern caused a good advance of that issue at noon. The final tone of the market was strong. All bonds were firm. Call money was 4 7-8.

Cotton.

Publishers' Press.
New York, Dec. 7.—The cotton market opened steady, 3 points lower. The prices were forced down 6 points after the opening by the room traders, who hammered down the list. Business was at no time active and there seemed to be no new features in the general news. Taft's message at 2 o'clock re-

newed the bulls to action, but there was little change in the afternoon.

Increased inquiry for spot cotton on the continent was reported from New Orleans. Spot cotton was quoted at 14.85. The exports for the day aggregated 15,588 bales, including nearly 3,000 for England. Liverpool spots were 7.83 d.

Congress' Permanent Officers.

There has been but little discussion as to who will be permanent officers of the West Texas Development Congress until the next regular meeting of the Congress, but every one approached by a representative of The Press-News seemed to be of the opinion that the organization as now composed would, according to custom, hold over until the next meeting of the Congress.

It is understood that the next place of meeting will be selected not only with regard to proper location, but the question of financial inducements will also be considered.

Taft Is Re-Elected.

Publishers' Press.
Washington, Dec. 7.—President Taft was re-elected as president of the American Red Cross Society today, and in his speech he said he hoped some one would make a donation of \$500,000 to conduct the work of the Society.

Black Hand Coming.

Publishers' Press.
Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 7.—The police today declared that sixty ex-convicts and Black Hand men were en route to America as immigrants. The men were employed on railroad construction here and were recently released.

Opie Dilldock says, "While liesurely riding the trail in Arizona one afternoon I was startled by the piercing scream of a woman. I looked just in time to see her falling over a precipice, which was about 1000 feet down. Putting spurs to my pony, I raced to the edge of the declivity, caught the poor girl with my lariat after she had fallen about fifty feet, and resored her to terra firma."

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