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Federal Grand Jury Finished Labors

Reeves County Citizens Indicted for Various Offenses—Cashier and Postmaster Involved.

The El Paso Herald gives out the following information:

Indictments against three persons were filed by the federal grand jury in the third and final report to the federal court Tuesday morning. After reporting, the grand jury was discharged for the April term of court.

Thomas E. Gibbons, a former cashier of the First National bank of Toyah, Texas, was indicted on a charge of violation of the national banking act in the alleged embezzlement of moneys, funds and credits of the First National bank of Toyah, Texas, and for alleged making of false entries in the books of this bank and also on the charge of making false reports to the controller of the currency.

Ola Solman and Moses E. Solman, postmaster and assistant postmaster of the postoffice at Arno, Texas, were indicted on the charge of detaining, delaying and embezzling a package sent through the mail.

Robt. P. Tyler, postmaster at Orla, who was bound over by the United States commissioner to the grand jury on a charge of negligence in the care of the postoffice, did not have a bill returned against him by the grand jury.

Tom Harrison has been helped in the sheriff's office this week. He looks natural in that office.

ANENT THE Y. M. C. A.

More than \$1000.00 has been contributed by about 20 people to the \$4,000.00 Y. M. C. A. fund, or kindred association fund now being raised. The committee at work has been hampered by two of its members being out of the city most of the time since the appointment, but the fund is growing daily and when the big Y. M. C. A. close-up rally is held on the 24th, this committee expects to have at least half of the fund ready. The ways and means committee is hard at work, mapping out plans and otherwise perfecting arrangements for the consideration of the meeting to be held on the 24th.

Things look exceedingly bright for the Y. M. C. A. or kindred association building, and there are at least 150 people who will be both directly and indirectly benefitted who have not yet been seen in the matter. Contributions small and large are expected from all of these.

W. H. Seastrunk, county and district clerk of Winkler county, with his estimable wife, were in Pecos Tuesday. Mr. Seastrunk says his part of the country is prosperous and that the people are happy. He made the Record office a pleasant visit.

Wm. Casey, that prominent Davis Mountain stockman, and one of the oldest settlers in this part of the country, spent a portion of last week in our city. He reports stock doing fairly well in his range but grass growing slowly.

Will Tinnin passed through Pecos Monday from a trip to Bovina where he had been looking after a bunch of steers belonging to his mother. He says cattle are scarce in that country and as "high as a cat's back."

THE TABERNACLE MEETING

The meeting at the Tabernacle is progressing nicely. The services have been well attended and the preaching has been direct, forceful, scriptural and spiritual—the old time presentation of the Word in the old time manner and power. This week Bro. Tooley has been giving us the law. There is no greater need in modern evangelism than for the discriminating, incisive and comprehensive exposition of sin, especially as manifested in the delicate complexity of life today. Personalities sink into insignificance before the lurid disclosures of the law, revealing the whole world under sin except the blood-washed. Bro. Tooley is giving us the law. His sermons, particularly the one on common honesty, were very impressive. God was in the midst. Next week he will give us distinctively the gospel. The hours of service are 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. May we not claim the prayers and presence of every sincere soul.

H. M. SMITH, Meth. Pastor.

Mrs. Seth Lewis and Baby Ruth left Monday for Maria where she will visit Mrs. Lewis' sister. From there she will go to Uvalde and San Antonio where she will visit relatives. Seth looks a little down in the mouth and acknowledges that the attractions at home are so meagre that he has almost deserted the place, especially about dawn does he feel the loneliness, and even Shep fails to allay the feeling of discontent.

Porterville Farmer Found Dead

Karl Zaller, a German Farmer Near Porterville Found Dead in His Home—Cadaver Badly Decayed.

On Sunday last a telephone message to Max Krauskopf J. P., stated that Karl Zaller, a German farmer who had purchased of the Stratton Land Co. a 40 acre farm and which he was improving was found dead in his home. The man lived alone and had no relatives in this country.

It was decided that he had been dead about two weeks, as the body was drying up and the hair and whiskers had begun to drop from his head and face. His stock had not been fed. The hogs in the pen were most all dead, some not able to get up. There were only three able to stand. These were turned out so they could get water and were fed.

The verdict of the inquest was that he came to his death from a natural cause, as there were no marks of violence to be found.

A trunk in the house was opened up but nothing more than a few clothes and some old papers were found in it. Some of the papers showed that he was born in Bergen, Germany, in 1874.

If you think the Record is not a good advertising medium we cite you to the people who talk about what they see in the Record.

Rev. A. E. Miller left on the afternoon train Thursday for Big Springs.

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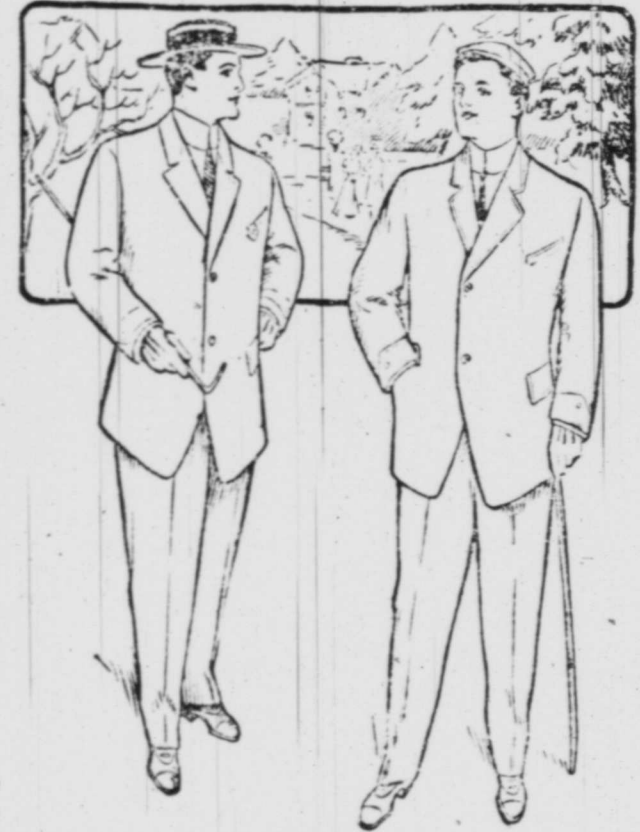
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FARM OR WORKHOUSE.

Kansas City has had one year of experience with a farm which was established to take the place of the municipal workhouse. The results of her first year's trial have been more satisfactory than the most sanguine advocates of the plan had dared hope, says the St. Paul Pioneer Press. The report shows that while the workhouse cost the city \$220 a year per prisoner, the farm has earned \$100 a year profit for each prisoner. In other words the actual loss of 60 cents a day per prisoner has been turned into a profit of 30 cents a day. The financial gain, however, is the smallest part of the advantage. The board of public welfare reports that the prisoners have taken the keenest interest in their work, have shown no desire to escape, and that many of them have hurried to the farms as soon as their sentences have been served. The men who, through discipline or the commission of minor offenses, have been sentenced to work on the farm have found the pleasure and health that comes from employment in the open. Men employed on the Kansas City farm have completed their sentences with coats of tan, instead of the pallor that usually marks the discharged prisoner. Their systems have been toned up until they are capable of doing an honest day's work and also have the desire to do it. They have learned that there is a moral, as well as a physical, curative in outdoor work.

As a French contemporary points out, one generally associates the capital of a country with the largest town, but in the United States this is not so, although the accepted idea prevails in regard to European countries or to most of them, says the London Globe. An exception, however, must be made in regard to Berne, the capital of the Swiss Confederation, the city of picturesque gates, bears, old churches, watch-making, the seat of the federal government, and the home of the Postal Union, where is to be found a collection of the stamps of the world which may be said to be unique. Berne is only a city of fourth-rate importance as regards population, with some 85,100 inhabitants, the principal towns of Switzerland being Zurich, with 188,930 souls; Bale, with 135,160, and Geneva, with 125,530. The Scottish capital, it may be observed, is only the second city in regard to population.

The agitation against harem and trouser skirts has reached the border of the ridiculous. In Illinois a bill has been introduced in the legislature providing a fine of \$50 for wearing the obnoxious garments. American excitement over comparatively unimportant violations of established conventions might accomplish more if it did not so promptly get hysterical. The harem skirt is not in such danger of demoralizing the institutions of this free country as to necessitate attention given as to a public enemy.

One of the dancing masters alleges that New York women dance like chickens with their heads off. Perhaps he has been watching New York women who were trying to dance in hobble skirts.

Pauline Wayne, the White House cow, is without a home. The war department, which takes care of the White House horses, refuses to provide a stall for her. All of which goes to show that the war department, as usual, is lacking in the milk of human kindness.

A woman tried to shoot up a restaurant in approved hold-up style because her steak was not ready in record time. And this display of primitive passion took place, not in the wild and woolly west, but in the intellectual midst of Boston.

Despite the protests of the small boy with the fishing rod, the hook and line, and the red flannel bait, it is the duty of our lawmakers to conserve the national resources, even in the matter of frogs.

None can deny the extreme modesty of the University of Illinois. The \$8,000,000 it asks for is only about the price of a dreadnought.

PRESIDENT TELLS ABOUT MOBILIZATION

MEXICAN REVOLUTION MAY ASSUME ENORMOUS PROPORTIONS.

THE JAP STORY ALL A WIND

Mighty Handy to Have the Men Who They Can Do Service at Moment's Urgent Demand.

Washington, April 11.—President Taft has moved sharply to squelch the latest Japanese war scare story. Incidentally, a member of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations revealed some of the reasons why the President has given that committee and the House Committee on Foreign Affairs for the mobilization of troops on the Texas border.

Through Senator Burton of Ohio, the President made an emphatic denial of the report from Mexico that a proposed treaty between Mexico and Japan caused the movement of troops in Texas.

"The President authorized me," said Mr. Burton, "to deny in most emphatic terms the story from the City of Mexico about a secret treaty between Mexico and Japan. There is not one word of truth in it."

Senator Bacon of Georgia, ranking minority member of the Foreign Relations Committee, after a talk with the President, declared that Mr. Taft was surprised and indignant at the report implicating Japan and Mexico.

"You can put the whole story down as absurd," said Senator Bacon. "The President has talked to me and to other members of the committee, and explained the reasons of sending the troops South."

"There was danger of widespread revolution and perhaps anarchy in Mexico. The President acted quickly and decisively. He believed that the army should be on the border ready for any contingency when Congress met."

UNION FACTIONS HAVE BATTLE

It Was in Windy City That Unions Fought.

Chicago: Some Chicago streets were converted into veritable battlegrounds Monday while rival factions of union men emptied revolvers at each other from behind barricades, telegraph poles and letter boxes.

Street cars filled with men, women and children passed through the fire zone as bullets whistled across the street. One man took refuge by the end of a car while he emptied a revolver at the "enemy."

The worst battle occurred at West Eighteenth and South Clark streets, between rival factions of teamsters near the barns of the U. J. Heinz Company Teamsters' Union and an equal number representing the International Brotherhood of Teamsters fought near the barns as the men employed by the company were taking out their teams.

Motorman and conductors on street cars, fearing for their lives and those of their passengers halted, after the first fusillade of shots and for several minutes traffic was interrupted.

Tokio Had Bad Fire.

Tokio: It is roughly estimated that \$3,000,000 will cover the property loss caused by the fire which wiped out the Yoshiwari, that district of the capital where social license is permitted under municipal surveillance. According to official reports, no fatalities have been discovered. The evening papers, however, state four or five persons were burned to death or killed while attempting to escape from their homes.

Temple Turns Down Commission.

Temple: In an election held Monday on the commission form of government for Temple, 146 votes were cast for and 630 against. Owing to confusion existing regarding the legality of the election the friends of the commission generally refused to participate in the election. The voting strength of the city is 1,8000, and the vote was less than 50 per cent of the total.

Ex Illinois Lawmaker Found Dead.

St. Louis: Michael Link, former member of the Illinois State Legislature, who was indicted by a Chicago Grand Jury for perjury and turned State's evidence in the investigation of the election of United States Senator Lorimer, was found dead in a bath tub at his home at Mitchell, Ill., Monday. Death, according to the family physician, was caused by apoplexy. The physician said a blood vessel burst in the brain.

TEXAS NEWS HAPPENINGS

Terrell is endeavoring to raise a fund for enlargement of the public library.

The citizens of Deport will have an election soon on a proposition to issue \$20,000 worth of bonds to erect a school building. A. C. Glandon, Gainesville, aged 40 years, dropped dead suddenly Monday. Heart failure is assigned as the cause. A widow and three children survive. At a special prohibition election held in the commissioners' precinct which included Teague, Cotton Gin and Shanks, the antis won by 129 majority. Little Sisters of the Boy Scouts of America are planning to form an organization all their own to be known as the Camp Fire Girls of America. The Denison Rod and Gun Club has let the contract for a club house at its lake northwest of town. The house will cost \$5,900. On the ground that it was special legislation, the Pennsylvania eight-hour law was declared unconstitutional by the State Supreme Court. The law was passed in 1897 and provided that workmen engaged in public works could work only eight hours a day. A petition is out for the recall of Pete Hanratty, mayor of McAlester. He is McAlester's first mayor under commission form of government. The exodus of Oklahoma negroes to Canada to join the colony of Alberta continues, twenty-two farmers from near Fallis, in Lincoln County, left this week over the Santa Fe Railroad, to be followed later by their families, representing in all two hundred persons. Alphonzo Steele, sole survivor of the battle of San Jacinto, celebrated his ninety-fourth birthday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. T. S. Eubank, at Forest Glade, just west of Mexico. Henry Watterson is to be the name of a new \$1,000,000 hotel now in course of construction at Louisville, Ky. District Attorney Atwell is out in a card warning against "raffles" and "punch cards," as the government classes these with all other sorts of lotteries. State Entomologist Scholl has returned from Berclair, where he investigated the new pest that is destroying cotton. He reports that he found a wire worm, a worm that ordinarily affects only grasses, is working havoc with the cotton crop. The Old Settles' Association of Williamson county will spend \$500 in improvement of the grounds for the annual reunion in August. A dam will also be built across the San Gabriel river making a lake for boating purposes. The size of the lake will be about 300 yards wide by 600 yards long. President Taft will await until the next Congress acts before he decides whether he will approve or disapprove the Constitution adopted by the Arizona Constitutional Convention. Webster, the new Galveston-Houston interurban town, has closed a contract with a company to install a large cannery. More than 100 Eastern college boys have already inquired of Charles Harris, director of the State free employment bureaus, as to the prospects for employment in the Kansas wheat fields the coming summer. Charles C. Moore has been unanimously elected president of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition Company. He is president of a civil engineering company of San Francisco. In signing the Smith liquor regulation bill Gov. O'Neil sounded the death knell of State-wide prohibition in Alabama. The bill was passed by both branches of the legislature. A dispatch announces that rich copper strata have been found on Vestmanna Island near the south coast of Iceland and that mining will be started as soon as possible. At a meeting of the State Board of Education it was decided that the \$61,000 which has been in the State treasury for the past three years as a result of the sale of Guayule plant on State lands in West Texas, shall be deposited to the credit of permanent school fund. A gap of only forty-three miles remains to be filled before the completion of the Santa Fe cut-off from Coleman to Texico. The extension south from Texico has reached Post City, and that north from Coleman has reached Snyder.

GOOD NEWS EPITOMIZED

HAPPENINGS OF UNUSUAL INTEREST TO OUR READERS, IN READABLE SHAPE.

BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

If It Was of Sufficient Importance You Will Find It Recorded Here.

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Oscar Harvey tried to haul his shotgun through a barb wire fence and was instantly killed. He was twenty-five years old, residing near Deweyville. H. T. Kohlsaat, published of the Chicago Record-Herald, told the senate investigating committee that he knew \$100,000 had been used to procure the election of Wm. Lorimer to the United States Senate. He refused to give the source of his information. The Methodist congregation of Edna began the erection of a \$10,000 brick church building last week. The old building has been sold and will be removed. The good roads committee of the Smithville Ten Thousand club reported that everything was ready to order the election to issue the \$100,000 road bonds for the precinct and that the election would be called. The organization of a Country club with a membership of 100 and \$10,000 capital stock, is in the formative stage and includes prominent people of Temple and Belton. Kansas City has a municipal law compelling wearers of hat pins to cover the exposed points with a shield or button similar to that used on fells. The Santa Fe Railway Company, having surveys made preliminary to the construction of a 75-acre lake near Killeen, this being one of a number of reservoirs that the company is to build along the route of the new Texas California line, better known as the Coleman Cut-off. Grandma Newton died at her home at Rusk Sunday night. She would have been 100 years of age next October, and until a few months ago was able to assist in the household. The Key Hotel of Big Sandy was destroyed by fire. The building was valued at \$6,000, and was insured for \$4,000. The furniture was valued at \$500 and was insured for \$200. The loss was complete. The Prentiss Hotel at Brownwood was totally destroyed by fire Sunday night at a loss of \$5,000. There were several narrow escapes. The Brownwood Summer Normal will begin on June 6, and Fred J. H. Carpenter, superintendent of the Brownwood schools, will be the instructor. Commander S. Sabe of the Japanese government is in this city investigating the progress of the investigation and its relation to the Pacific. Socialism was decisively defeated in Wichita, Kan., Tuesday, when the independent candidate for mayor was elected by 1,500 majority. W. M. Holland and R. R. Nelson, candidates, respectively, for mayor and water commissioner, were elected in Dallas in Tuesday's election. The mayor for three of the four commissioners will have to be run over. St. Louis remains in the hands of Republican cities, but with reduced majorities. L. A. Daffan has been elected superintendent of the State highway service T. C. Clark, resigned the position of the late Col. L. A. Daffan, after many years superintendent of the Houston & Texas Central railway. Mrs. Ellet Wilson, who had O. M. Akers for mayor in the city election in Hurdwell, Kan., was by the judges declared elected. Because she read a man to a tie it was decided that she was entitled to the office. A telegram received at the station announces the death in San Francisco of J. C. Dalley, formerly superintendent of the International & Great Northern railway. The revolution in Mexico is capping the gathering of a crop. Growers in the wheat belt and reds are short many bushels. One out of every five wheat in New York is insured, according to Albert W. Ferris, director of the State lunacy commission, who is delivering a course of lectures at the New York School of Medicine. Aurora, Mo.: Dr. D. H. ... children were burned to death in a fire that broke out at his home, three ... here. Directors of the ... Railway have approved the ... of \$300,000 ... on the railroad. Thomas Corder ... from injuries sustained ... falling with him ... near Sanderson, ... The staid old Republican ... Berkeley, Cal., created ... sation when it elected a Socialist mayor in the person of ... who ran for ... California on the Socialist ... member. F. A. Thelen and ... have formed the ... Company and are now ... City buying the machinery ... ery and ice cream factory ... established in Roswell. This ... Roswell's second ... and a third is in contemplation.

WHO'S WHO AND WHY

WAS ONCE A CABINET-MAKER

The career of Gov. George W. Donaghey, twice chief executive of Arkansas, shows how success comes to the man who struggles for it and is worthy of it. Not many years ago Mr. Donaghey was an obscure cabinet maker in an Arkansas village. He branched out as a contractor and earned for himself a splendid reputation as a square-dealing business man by the erection of many public buildings in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

Some ten years ago it was decided to erect a new state house in Arkansas. Donaghey was one of the bidders, but the contract went to another. Then and there he vowed that he would be the first to sit under the dome of the new capitol as governor of the state. He had never been in politics, and had all to learn about that intricate game.

When he entered office the new capitol was involved in a bribery scandal and legislative tangle that had delayed its construction for several years. Gov. Donaghey took hold of the situation with firm hands, brought order out of chaos, assumed the direction of the work himself, and on January 11 last had the satisfaction of seeing the assembling of the first legislature in its marble-lined halls. A few days later he took the oath of office for the second time, and thus fulfilled his vow, to be the first governor to sit beneath its finished dome.



ROSE FROM PINBOY TO BOSS



George B. Cox, the political boss of Cincinnati and Hamilton county, who is now under indictment on the charge of perjury, is essentially a self-made man. Success has crowned him in business and politics and the reason he assigns for this is that he has never broken his word.

Born amid humble surroundings in the West end of Cincinnati, he began life as a pinboy in a bowling alley. Then he drove a delivery wagon and became one of the best known young men in the Eighteenth ward, then a Democratic stronghold. There was a rebellious sentiment against the "kid-glove" element, and Mr. Cox was nominated for the council and elected as a Republican. He had just reached his majority. With a friend he started a saloon and billiard parlor and laid the foundation of his political leadership.

In his power over government in Cincinnati and Hamilton county Cox is despotic. Through coalition with cliques outside of that domain he has projected himself into state and national politics, and is today reckoned the most fecund political entity in Ohio.

Cox is today a man of great wealth. He is at the head of a trust company, or bank, is a big stockholder in steam and electric railways, telephone companies, manufacturing enterprises, including a couple of car building concerns, is treasurer of an insurance company and controls a number of theaters.

SEEKING ANIMALS FOR FOOD

The time may possibly come when residents of Louisiana may shoot hippopotami from their back porches and settlers in the Rockies may chase the nimble eland and springbok—all animals now indigenous to Africa. For a year or more considerable study has been given to certain wild animals of Africa as a source of food supply and the proposition has been seriously advanced to stock the marshes and bayous of the south with hippopotami. In this way some enthusiasts have seen a way for getting even with the beef trust, oblivious of the fact that the trust might corner the hippopotami equally as the wild western steers.

The idea of stocking certain parts of the country with animals from Africa, which might prove valuable as a food supply, is now to be tested. One of the notable globe trotters of England and a man who is as familiar with Africa as he is with London, Maj. Fred R. Burnham, has gone to Africa to capture wild animals, with the object of bringing them to this country and domesticating them. Associated with him in the enterprise is John Hays Hammond, one of Jamieson's raiders.



FRYE IS NESTOR OF SENATE



Senator William Pierce Frye of Maine is the Nestor of the United States senate and but few have had a longer record in that body. The late Senator Merrill of Vermont served 33 years in the senate and 11 in the house of representatives, while Senator Allison of Iowa, for many years before his death a senate leader, sat in congress 43 years.

Senator Frye ranks next to Mr. Allison in length of service, entering the house of representatives in 1871, and serving continuously either in that body or in the senate ever since. On a recent Wednesday he celebrated his thirtieth anniversary as senator. It was on March 15, 1881, that he was elected by the Maine legislature to succeed James G. Blaine, and as often as his commission has expired it has since been renewed.

The senator is now in his eightieth year and entered public life half a century ago when he was elected to the Maine legislature. After several terms in that body he was elected mayor of his native city, Lewiston, later became attorney general of the state, and then entered upon his long career in congress. Ordinarily the leadership in the senate would fall upon Senator Frye; but he is hardly physically capable of the onerous duties of that position. His term will expire March 4, 1913.

READY FOR SPRING

To all the People in the Surrounding Country

At your convenience we are ready to serve you.

Our preparations for the approaching season have been on a more elaborate scale than ever before.

Magnificent stocks have been assembled.

Many new lines have been added.

Our facilities for handling business have been increased.

Delivery service has been improved.

There seems from our point of view nothing left undone that would contribute to the interests of the people generally.

Advantages to be Gained

These are many. Deliveries are quicker. Smaller stocks may be carried. Purchases of goods only as needed may be made.

Why We Can Serve You Best

We have the goods—as comprehensive in their range of styles and qualities as may be found anywhere, adaptability to this State and section considered. We make the prices—buying of the same original sources of supply as other progressive houses, freighting by water to Galveston, saving every item of freightage possible.

Testing the Matter

Put us to the test—the approaching season will offer a most favorable opportunity. Come and inspect carefully and critically our various lines and learn at first hand the many advantages offered by us.

Our Showings for Spring Include Everything in Dry Goods and Kindred Lines

Dry Goods, Notions,
White Goods, Laces
Embroideries,
Underwear, Hosiery
Suspenders, Gloves
Furnishings

Visiting People Are Invited to Make Our Store Headquarters.

Pecos Dry Goods Company
HOUSE OF OPPORTUNITIES

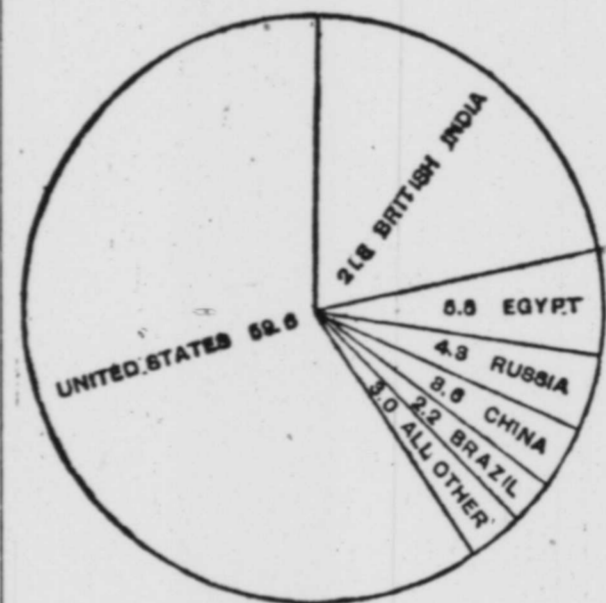
COTTON FIBER AREA

Two-Thirds of Commercial Crop Grown in United States.

Bureau of Statistics of United States Department of Agriculture Gives Some Very Interesting Figures on Development of Industry.

(Extracts from Bulletin No. 110, Bureau of Census.)

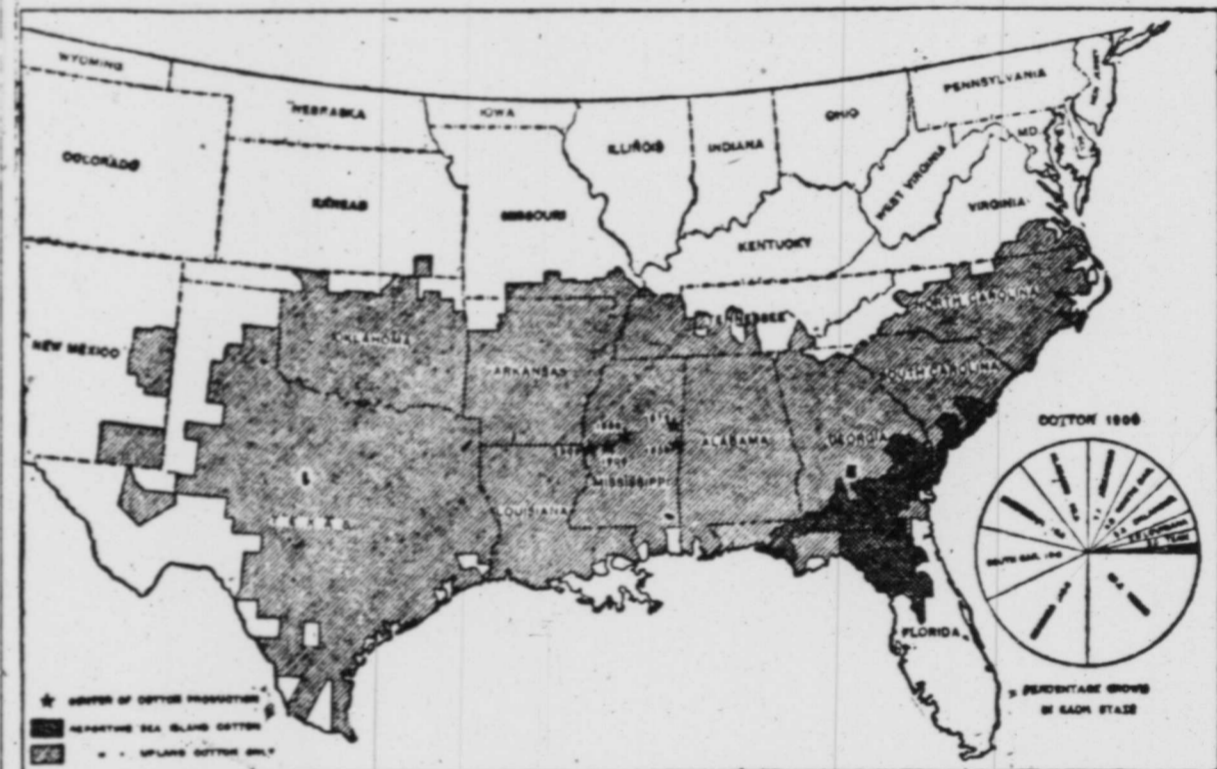
Two agricultural questions are ever before the commercial community for serious consideration. These are the sufficiency of the wheat supply to feed the rapidly growing population of the world, and the production of the necessary cotton fiber to keep active the rapidly-increasing spindles of the world. These questions have their root both in the growth of population and in the increasing purchasing power of the people. On account of



Percentage of World's Mill Supply of Cotton Contributed by Each Country: 1909.

the wide range of latitude within which wheat may be grown, the problem of its production is simply one of more extensive application of labor and capital to land, but in the case of cotton the climatic limitations give this culture a character unlike that of any other product of the soil.

The range of experiments in cotton growing has been so wide, in point of place and time, as to definitely determine and mark out the area of the earth's surface where this fiber can be commercially produced. The area in which it is most generally grown extends from the Mediterranean sea to the Cape of Good Hope; from Spain



Cotton-Producing Area of the United States: 1909.

to Japan and Australia; and from Norfolk, Va., in the United States, to Buenos Aires, in South America. Notwithstanding the vastness of this area practically all of the world's crop is grown between the fortieth degree of north latitude and the twentieth degree of south latitude, and about two-thirds of the commercial crop is produced in the southern portion of the United States. It is true that production has expanded elsewhere, notably in India and Russia, but Indian cotton, which comprises nearly 22 per cent of the world's mill

supply, is not well suited to either European or American requirements, and, aside from its home use, it goes largely to Japan. Egypt can hope to devote but little additional territory to this culture and Russian prospects are very limited. The main hope, therefore, for a material increase in the production of cotton must remain in the United States. Here, aside from weather influences, the volume of the crop will depend upon satisfactory prices, the supply of good labor, and methods of culture.

According to the Bureau of Statistics of the United States Department of Agriculture, the area planted to cotton in 1909 was 32,292,000 acres; but the bureau estimates that 1,354,000 acres, or 4.2 per cent, were abandoned, leaving 30,938,000 acres, as the area from which the crop was harvested. There was a reduction of 4.6 per cent in the area harvested and of 24.1 per cent in the production in 1909. The average production per acre in 1909 was 155 pounds compared with 195 pounds in 1908. It is interesting to observe that between 1879 and 1909 the acreage increased 113.7 per cent and the production 97.8 per cent. However, the crop of 1908, amounting to about 13,432,131 running bales, represents more nearly the normal production, and shows an increase of 160.6 per cent over the crop of 1879. In 1839 Delaware, Maryland, Indiana and Illinois all produced cotton, Illinois alone contributing more than 5,000 bales. Stimulated by the high prices following the civil war, cotton was cultivated to a limited extent in West Virginia, Nevada, California, Illinois and Utah, from all of which states it subsequently disappeared. New Mexico, which produced more than 7,000 pounds of cotton in 1859, afterwards abandoned its culture, but has again established the industry, having produced about 112,000 pounds in 1909. California also has resumed the culture, with a yield this year of nearly 200,000 pounds.

The number of establishments, which ginned cotton from the growth of 1909 is 26,669, compared with 27,598 for 1908. The result of the endeavors to consolidate and enlarge the cotton-ginning establishments is illustrated by the fact that the cotton crop of 1905 was ginned in 29,038 establishments, the average quantity per gin being 366 running bales, while the crop of 1909 was handled by 26,669 ginneries, the average being 381 bales per gin. The average number of bales ginned per active establishment in 1908 was 478. A responsible factor not to be overlooked in

General Farm Notes

Spores of oat smut probably are always winter-killed in the field.

The profit from a cow depends very largely upon how comfortable she is kept.

For the amount of capital invested the hen is the best dividend payer on the farm.

The man or woman that loves to fuss with the hens is the one that will make money out of them.

Try a mixture of sulphur, lard and a little coal oil for scabby legs. Two applications should cure any case.

Give the sow all the water she wants for the first twenty-four hours after the pigs are born, but no grain.

A hen of a good laying strain with the right kind of care should lay 175 eggs in a year. Many reach the 200 mark.

Make new lawns and repair old ones. The seed sown in the last snow gives

the best results of spring-sown grass seed.

A laxative ration a week or 10 days before freshening will lessen the chances of milk fever and other troubles after calving.

One of the secrets of success in sheep rearing is change in pasture. An early pasture can be had by sowing a small patch of rye.

The two small countries of Holland and Switzerland are the homes of two great breeds of dairy cattle, the Holstein and the Brown Swiss.

Rough concrete built up to within two inches of the desired height and then covered with two inch planking makes an ideal floor for either horses or cattle.

One of the greatest blunders one can make in the handling of dairy cows is to breed all of them so they will come fresh at practically the same time in the spring.

For a short time after freshening a good cow will give a good mess of milk with just ordinarily care, but if she is to continue the good work it will take a careful chorman and a good feeder to look after her.

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Judges Appointed For El Paso Court

W. M. Peticolas is Chief Justice, E. F. Higgins of Alpine and J. F. McKenzie of Pecos Associates.

On the 10th inst. Gov. Colquitt named the judges of the new Court of Civil Appeals to be located at El Paso. The commission for the judges will not be issued until after the law goes into effect on June 12th, and the court will not commence work until the first Monday in October.

For this court the following were elected: Chief Justice, W. M. Peticolas of El Paso; Associate Justices, E. F. Higgins of Alpine and J. F. McKenzie of Pecos.

The new chief justice at one time resided in Victoria but now lives in El Paso, and while yet a young man has recognized ability and long experience as a lawyer.

Judge Higgins is county judge of Brewster county and is a fine judge of law, honored by his people and the legal profession.

Judge J. F. McKenzie, our fellow townsman, has served in the Texas legislature and is well known at Austin and throughout West Texas as a man of marked ability and a fine judge of law.

The new court was created for and is composed of West Texas people. Thus in the selection of this court does West Texas secure a deserved recognition. Not only have we the best country and the best people to be found but the Record is glad to state that the ability of her citizens is being and in this instance has been recognized.

Judge McKenzie is one of our best read and most successful attorneys and a valuable citizen whom we loathe to give up, yet the people pause to congratulate him and assure him that by this recognition of his talent Pecos feels as proud of the honor as does his judgeship.

A few years ago the coming of a good musical company to our city was a great event and always filled the house with a fine audience. Of late, musical entertainments have not been so freely patronized here. Why? Simply because the usual programs were too classical and cold for the average auditor. In the program to be given by the Schubert Symphony Club and Lady Quartette on April 29, we have a musical entertainment that is highly artistic and also enjoyable from first to last. Our readers will do well to remember that it is not often that we are offered such a feast of musical good things as the Schubert's program contains.

Dr. J. A. Leeman brought to the Record office a bunch of alfalfa measuring more than thirty-six inches long. This alfalfa was raised on his place in town and was planted on the 16th day of July last, which makes it less than a year since the ground was seeded. This certainly knocks the knocker, who should either go to boosting or "go way back and sit down."

The Pecos Boys Show Prospectors

Big Badger Fight Pulled Off for Entertainment of Prospectors—They "Were Shown."

The boys of Pecos are ever ready to start something for the edification and amusement of the streams of visitors who are continually pouring into our beautiful little city. Pecos can produce the goods when it comes to climatic conditions, soils and water—with these three very necessary elements a thrifty people can produce almost anything they undertake.

After the large bunch of prospectors here the latter part of last week and the first of this had been "shown" and many had decided to cast their lots among us and purchased rich farms, a gentleman from Kentucky remembering the old saying that "all work and no play makes Johnnie a very dull boy," asked the boys for something to amuse the visitors. It did not take long after this suggestion until the boys were busy getting the badger which had recently been brought in while others got busy hunting up Shep, Seth Lewis' famous badger fighter. This splendid dog is well trained and has fought many badgers to a finish, but some, on account of his age, are beginning to weaken when it comes to placing their money on him. However, when the badger and dog were both ready each side was prepared to go their limit on their favorite and stake holders were in demand, and when the time came to pull the badger only one man in the bunch could be found eligible and that was that splendid Kentucky gentleman, "Rev." Steve Clayton. He was anxious to see the fight and readily consented to "pull." His friend D. E. Baird was barred because of his decided predilection for the badger.

Clayton did his part admirably and Shep played his part to perfection. Clayton is probably now at his Owensboro, Kentucky, home telling his people of our wonderful country and resources, both in pursuits of business and pleasure. Come again, gentlemen, we'll show you a good time and give you a cordial welcome.

Regarding School Lands.

Andrews, Tex., April 5—County Judge N. P. Ross has received a letter from the General Land Office advising him that the law passed at the recent session of the Legislature permitting the segregation and transfer of school land in tracts of forty acres and multiples thereof is now in effect. The effort to have this law enacted was inaugurated by the Progress Club of this place, and West Texas is to be congratulated upon its enactment, as a serious obstacle to development is removed. Heretofore school land could be transferred in the Land Office only in whole original tracts or sections.

The Calamity Howler.

A dog sat out in the midnight chill and howled at the beaming moon; his knowledge of music was strictly nil and his voice was out of tune. And he howled and howled as the hours went by, while dodging the bricks we threw, till the moon was low in the western sky, and his voice was split in two. And there wasn't a thing at which to howl, over which a pup could weep; and the course of the dog was

wrong and foul, for people were wild to sleep. There are plenty of men like that blamed fool hound, who howl when there's nothing wrong; disturbing the country with senseless sound—the pessimist's doleful song.—Fairplay Flume.

Farmers throughout this county are beginning to cut alfalfa and in another ten days this work will be in full blast and all laborers obtainable will be busy.

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas,
To the sheriff or any constable of Reeves county, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon S. D. Roberts by making publication of this citation once a week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 70th judicial district; but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 70th judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Reeves county, to be holden at the courthouse thereof, in Pecos, Texas, on the 4th Monday in April, A. D. 1911, the same being the 24th day of April, A. D. 1911, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 17th day of March, A. D. 1911, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 757, wherein F. W. Johnson is plaintiff and T. A. Randals, Ben Randals and S. D. Roberts are defendants and said petition alleging that defendants T. A. Randals and Ben Randals executed and delivered to Thos. R. White, Jr., on March 25th, 1907, two vendor's lien notes for \$20.74 each, due March 25, 1910 and 1911, each bearing six per cent interest per annum until maturity and ten per cent on principal and interest unpaid after same is due; that defendant S. D. Roberts purchased the land for which said notes were given and assumed payment of said notes and became liable therefor; that the land for which said notes were given in part payment is described as follows: 10.37 acres of land north of the right of way of the T. & P. Ry. Co. out of survey 7, block 5, cert. 8-1458, H. & G. N. Ry Co. in Reeves county, Texas, beginning at an iron pipe for n. w. corner said survey 7, and s. w. cor. sur. 8 said block 5 in s. e. line sec. 72, block 4; thence s. 72 degrees 15 min. e. at 247.5 varas a corner in n. line of T. & P. railway right of way 100 feet distant at right angles from center of main track; thence with said right of way line, parallel to said main track and 100 feet distant from center thereof, s. 68 degrees 37 min. w. 865.5 varas to an intersection with line of said survey 7 and s. e. line sur. 72, block 4; thence with said line n. 57 e. 672 varas to beginning.

That plaintiff is the owner and holder of said notes and the lien retained to secure payment of the same, and prays for judgment against all of the said defendants for amount due on said notes, principal, interest and attorney's fees, alleging said notes to be past due and unpaid except the interest thereon to March 25th, 1911, and prays for foreclosure of his vendor's lien.

Plaintiff further alleges as to defendant S. D. Roberts that said defendant is due plaintiff one certain note for \$100.00 dated March 1st, 1909, due one year after date, with ten per cent interest per annum and ten per cent attorney's fees to secure which note said defendant executed a certain deed of trust against the land above described, for the benefit of plaintiff, and plaintiff is the owner and holder of said note and said deed of trust lien, and prays for judgment against said defendant for said debt, and for foreclosure of his deed of trust lien.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, H. N. McKellar, clerk of the district court of Reeves county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Pecos, Texas, this 17th day of March, A. D. 1911.

H. N. MCKELLAR, Clerk.
Seal. District Court Reeves County.

Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Reeves.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Brown County, on the 2d day of November, 1910, by D. M. Scott, County Clerk of said county, for the sum of seventeen and 50/100 dollars, and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of E. G. Nelin in a certain cause in said Court, No. 1262 and styled E. G. Nelin vs. A. S. McChesney et al, and placed in my hands for service, I, C. Brown as Sheriff of Reeves County, Texas, did, on the 26th day of March, 1911, levy on certain real estate, situated in Reeves County, Texas, described as follows, to wit: North-east one fourth (1-4) of Section Number Four (4) Block Fifty (50) Township Eight (8) T. & P. Ry. Co. lands containing one hundred acres (100) more or less, and levied upon as the property of A. S. McChesney. And that on the first Tuesday in May, 1911, the same being the 2d day of said month, at the court house door of Reeves county, in the State of Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said execution, I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said A. S. McChesney.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Reeves County Record, a newspaper published in Reeves county.

Witness my hand, this 7th day of April, 1911.
C. BROWN,
16-3t Sheriff of Reeves county, Texas.
By S. C. Vaughan, deputy.

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Expects to Arrange For A

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This fall and we will award prizes for best specimens of products put on exhibit. If for any reason this fair is not held, the exhibits will be collected in the office of the Commercial Club and prizes awarded just the same to the successful winners, and the same forwarded to different State Fairs to make

Reeves County Exhibit

These prizes will be made attractive and worth winning, and announcement is made of same at this early date so that all farmers may take notice and so prepare their soils as to try to win one or more of the prizes. Premiums will be awarded for the best specimens of Alfalfa, Fruits, Broom Corn, Sugar Beets, Vegetables, Cotton, Milo Maize, Kaffir Corn and all other Products.

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Church Announcements

METHODIST CHURCH

All services at Tabernacle.

SUNDAY—9:45 a. m., Sunday School, C. S. McCarver, Supt. 11 a. m., Preaching.

4 p. m., Juvenile Missionary Society (1st Sunday only) Mrs. Ben Randal, Lady Manager. 4:15 p. m., Epworth League, A. J. Curtis, President. 8:00 p. m., Preaching.

TUESDAY—Missionary Society. —Mrs. J. A. Leeman, pres.—1st and 3rd Tuesday's, at 3p. m. Steward's meeting 1st Tuesday at 8:00 p. m.

WEDNESDAY—Prayer Meeting at 8:00.

FRIDAY—Teacher's Training Class at 8:00 p. m.

SATURDAY—Choir Rehearsal at 8 p. m.

Strangers welcomed.

The Tooley Meeting April 9-23 Everybody welcome.

The Juvenile Missionary Society meets 3 p. m. Sunday next. H. M. SMITH, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Bible School at 9:45 a. m. Preaching and Communion at 11 a. m.

Junior C. E. at 4 p. m. Senior C. E. at 6:45 p. m.

Preaching at 7:30 p. m. Prayer Meeting Wednesday.

A hearty welcome extended all. HOMER L. MAGEE, Minister.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

SUNDAY, 9:00 A. M. Sunbeams meet. Sadie Collins, leader.

10:00 A. M. Sunday-school. A. G. Taggart, supt.

11:00 A. M. Preaching.

4:30 P. M. B. Y. B. U. Mark Anthony, leader.

8:00 P. M. Preaching.

MONDAY, 3:00 P. M. Ladies' Aid Society meets at church parlors. Mrs. Gid Rowden, Pres.

8:00 P. M. Sunday-school class meetings.

WEDNESDAY, 8:00 P. M. Bible Study and Prayer Service.

SATURDAY, 8:00 P. M. Choir Service.

Pastor and Deacons meet the first Monday in each month at 8:00 P. M.

A most cordial invitation is extended to everybody to attend these services.

Very kindly, J. B. COLE, Pastor.

Oil Company to Resume Work

The Toyah Oil & Pipe Line Co., which for some time past has suspended operation, have secured the service of a new manager and driller, and assure the public, through their secretary, Mr. Taylor, of Midland, that operations will begin in ten or twelve days.

Up to date this Company has spent \$8000 in the development of the oil in the fields north of Toyah. Several months ago, for some reason unknown to the public, work on their well, which is down about 200 feet, was abandoned temporarily. The supposition is that it was on account of some misunderstanding among the members of the company, but as this has been amicably settled, work will be resumed in a few days under the direction of a new driller.

Mr. Taylor states that the company will expend \$11,500 in the work, and assures the public that the well will positively be finished to the contract depth, anyhow.

Have on hand a new line of men's Shirts, Overalls and Underwear at the Paint & Racket Store.

The Texas Mule

The bray of the Texas mule is heard around the world, for wherever he goes he lustily sings the praises of his native land. He is the most sturdy farmer and the most successful miner of the animal kingdom. He is the only animal that did not enter Noah's ark. By good conduct he has overcome the prejudices of an illegitimate lineage and has successfully fought his way into the highways of industry with his parents as competitors, until today he drags the nation's commerce. He is a self-made animal. Year by year he has patiently studied new occupations and adapted himself to changed conditions until he is the master of more industrial pursuits than any other animal and he is by far the Commercial King of Beasts. He has arisen from obscure origin to the wealthiest of domestic animals; he is worth \$28 per head more than the horse, six times more than the Texas steer and fourteen times more than the hog.



1910 VALUE PER HEAD \$108.

During the past ten years the Texas mule has attracted the attention of Uncle Sam by showing the greatest increase in value per head of mules of all states in the Union, having an increase of 118 per cent or \$58.48 per head to his credit during the past decade and in doing so he has paid a dumb tribute to the soil and climate of Texas that is far more convincing in its eloquence than all the tongues of our orators or pens of our writers. The whole world marvels at a country that can rear such mules.

We have more than twice as many mules as any other state in the Union. The census reports of the Federal department of agriculture on Jan. 1, 1910, reports 702,000 head of mules and the last estimate of value per head made by the department places the average value of \$108, making a total value of all mules of all ages of approximately \$75,000,000, which is an increase of a quarter of a million mules in number and \$45,000,000 in value, including both increase in value per head and increase in number during the past decade.

The mule raising industry is one of the most inviting pursuits and Texas is undoubtedly the greatest country or the globe for mule raising.

TWO GOOD PAPERS

Subscribe to your home paper first, then take the El Paso Herald. All the Texas news, the southwest and the world at large is published day by day in the El Paso Herald. The Herald is the constant advocate of Texas interest, while the Reeves County Record keeps you in the closest intimacy with all the conditions of Pecos and the Pecos Country.

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Phone the Record the news.

Texas Company Continues Work

Receive Three Thousand Feet of Cable and a Car Load of Fire Brick—Other Indications

Last week the Texas Company received for the Toyah oil fields three thousand feet of cable, which is a very good indication that work in that field is to continue and that they intend to go down to a great depth.

This company has also received a car load of fire brick which has been carried out to the oil fields.

The Record is reliably informed that they have also made a second payment on their holdings purchased from the State. This land was purchased by the company at a cost of from \$20 to \$40 per acre and under such sales a

Rev. Stewart, the man who built the Music Hall and ramrodded the Chautauqua course here a year or so ago, is back in Pecos. He has been in the lecture field and came from up the valley where he went from Pecos a week or ten days ago.

John A. Robertson, a prominent citizen and one of the first settlers of Erath county and a Reeves county land owner is in this county looking after affairs.

Judge Hefner is back home from El Paso greatly benefitted and his friends have hopes of his recovery.

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nd stop. If too much came down he dead end of the ditch would overflow.

By this system the ditch banks are not disturbed and soon harden until there is no danger of a break. By putting the siphons in deeply or less deeply the flow of water they deliver can be regulated. There is no danger that the water will wash out the ditch bank where they are set and the flow is so gentle that the light soil is not carried down the ditch. Siphons in the ditch bank must be filled as soon as one irrigation is finished; siphon boxes must be reset at every irrigation and often several times during one irrigation, but siphons can be moved from place to place at any time and are always ready to work. Since they have been introduced here more and more ranchers are putting them in.

SE PUMP FOR IRRIGATING

Some Practical Suggestions by New Mexico Farmer on Pumping Water With Small Engine.

Some days ago I read an article answering a query in regard to putting a small irrigation outfit to water two acres of garden. Practically all the water we get in this region (Combus, N. M.) is lifted by a pump of some sort, and in the light of experience in this method of irrigation I could offer some suggestions which will help the man who has the courage to take charge of weather conditions in the event that rain fails to fall, says a writer in the Rural New Yorker. The two-inch pump and 2½ horsepower engine will take care of the two acres nicely, furnishing about 125 gallons per minute at a speed of 800 revolutions if properly lined out. The installation will be more simple to use the foot valve on the suction pipe and keep the pump above water. If there is danger of debris in the creek sink a box around the suction. It would be an expensive mistake to use a two-inch pipe for 200 feet and work the little engine against so much friction. A three-inch pipe connected to the pump by a reducer and run up at an angle of 45 degrees to a vertical height of 18 feet arranged to empty into a wooden flume which connects with the garden will avoid excessive speed of the water and also do away with most of the pipe. The suction should be at least 2½-inch pipe. If this is not suited to conditions use four-inch pipe from pump to field. This may be made of heavy galvanized pipe material and reduced to the two-inch connection on the pump, but the flume will be more satisfactory if it can be used. The flume may be cheaply made with two boards put together, pig-trough style, and lined with roofing paper, lapping the joints like shingles.

Another thing should not be lost sight of; when the field needs irrigation it probably will all need it at once, for the rain wets the whole patch the same day, and it would be a wise plan to pump an earth tank full of water and have it on hand if the ground can be sufficiently puddled to hold water; 125 gallons per minute is a feeble stream to do anything with, and less than that is little more than an aggravation unless it be stored up until sufficient "head" has accumulated to put it out and over the ground. The free government pamphlet, "Practical Irrigation for Beginners," will be very helpful in giving methods for handling the water. The 125 gallons per minute should be delivered at a cost of not more than 30 cents a day for engine naphtha if the right machinery is selected, and the best should be procured; it's the cheapest in the end.

Dosing Chickens.

The sooner people divest themselves of the idea that they must be always dosing chickens with medicine, the sooner will they be enabled to breed a hardy race of fowls that are rous and cholera proof.

FARM NOTES.

Jimson weed is poisonous. Have you begun to test the seed corn yet?
Cheap harness often proves an expensive instrument.
A little axle grease applied where it belongs saves horseflesh.
A cheap paint can be made from a solution of borax and water mixed with linseed oil.
Carrots are high in feeding value and are relished by all kinds of stock, including horses.
Better corn means heaped production, and cheaper production means larger net profits.
Sow seeds of beans in pots. In a hot-bed sow peas for an early crop. Use the dwarf early kinds.
The variety of potatoes to plant depends upon the kind of soil in which they are to be planted.
Among the duties of spring, if the work has been neglected in the fall, is the examination and repair of the machinery.
Many of those who undertake farming for the first time will necessarily

fall for lack of experience and knowledge; a few will succeed.
When the silo replaces the straw pile the bank account will exchange places with the mortgage.
One potato grower selects from hills containing six or more potatoes of marketable size and no culls.
Repair the trellises, arbors and other garden fixtures while the plants are dormant. After painting the supports, prune the vines and tie them up again for another season's growth.

Care of Bees.

Bees left to themselves will generally send out one swarm in a season, often sending out a second swarm, sometimes a third, says a writer in an exchange. In our practice we always have supers partly full of empty comb, and this makes the giving of room to the bees much more practicable than when empty sections are given, for there need be no delay in the work, no waiting on the builders, no hanging clusters while the honey is wasting in the fields. The young bees, then, do most of the comb building.

WAYS OF SERVING BANANAS

Fruit is Nourishing and Should be Served Often, Say Stomach Specialists.

Palates that revolt at raw bananas can enjoy them well cooked. Stomach specialists—some of them—say this fruit is nourishing and should be served often.

Banana recipes are here given to help out the housekeeper troubled over her weekly menu:

A simple pudding is made from a custard of yolks of three eggs to a quart of milk, slightly sweetened. When the consistency of thick cream pour it over thin slices of banana in a pudding dish. Put meringue of whites of eggs on top and brown slightly in oven. Serve cold, with cream.

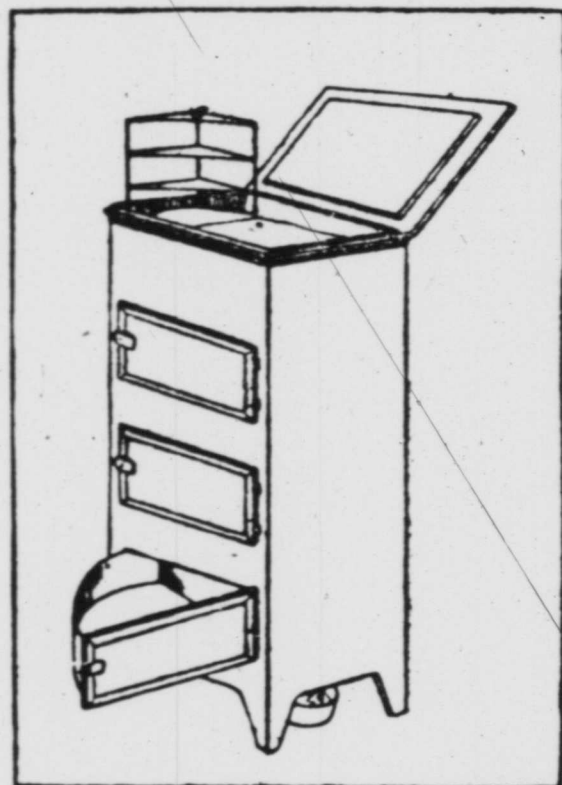
Sliced bananas mixed with corn-starch just before it stiffens and served with fresh strawberry sauce are delicious.

Baked bananas are sometimes used as a vegetable. Peel and cut in half, lengthwise. Divide if large. To each banana allow a tablespoonful of sugar, two tablespoonfuls of water, a teaspoonful each of lemon juice and melted butter and a pinch of salt. Put slices in shallow casserole and bake slowly for half hour, keeping them well basted.

NEW KIND OF REFRIGERATOR

Has Drawers That Swing In and Out in Place of Having Shelves.

A different kind of refrigerator has been invented by a Georgia man and is shown in the cut. In place of the row of shelves with which the ordinary refrigerator is equipped this new ice chest has a series of drawers, which swing in and out and make the articles kept within much easier of access. The ice compartment is at the top, as in most other types, and alongside it in one corner is a row of shelves which lift up and on which may be kept those things which should be close to the ice. The



lower part of the refrigerator is equipped with drawers which swing in and out on a hinge at one side. They are rounded at one end and only come out a certain distance. That part of the bottom of the drawer which extends outside when the latter is moved to the limit of its outward range is solid, the other segment being perforated to permit the cold air to pass through more readily. In this type of refrigerator it is not necessary to remove the things in front to get at those in the rear.

Baked Apples.

Take as many apples as there are people to be served. Peel and remove core. Fill with chopped hickory and English walnut meats. Sprinkle with white sugar. Put in oven and bake slowly, basting all the while with sirup, made of one cup sugar, one-third cup water, cooked until in threads. Bake until apples are clear. Serve with whipped cream.

Pancake Pudding.

Sift ¼ cup flour into a basin, add ½ teaspoon of salt, 2 well-beaten eggs, ½ a pint of milk and one tablespoon of melted butter. Melt 2 tablespoonfuls of butter in a small frying-pan. When very hot pour in the mixture and keep moving the pan till it has set for the under side. Turn it quickly with a broad knife or turner, cook 1 minute over the fire, then put the pan into a hot oven for 10 minutes. It will puff up. Put a spoonful of preserves in the center, roll up and serve on a hot dish.

Onions for Colds.

Mash onions and make a poultice as hot as can be borne; rub well with turpentine and lard; apply to chest and to the soles of the feet if a child and draw the stockings on; leave on for two or three days and the cold will be gone. I saved my little girl's life with this simple remedy and perhaps it will help some other mother.

Rough Skin.

Mop on skin roughened by winter winds a mixture of witch hazel and rose water, half and half.

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SYNOPSIS.

The story is told by Nicholas Trist. His chief, Senator John Calhoun, offered the portfolio of secretary of state in Tyler's cabinet, is told by Dr. Ward that his time is short. Calhoun declares that he is not ready to die, and if he accepts Tyler's offer it means that Texas and Oregon must be added to the Union. He plans to learn the intentions of England with regard to Mexico through Baroness von Ritz, secret spy and reputed mistress of the English ambassador Pakenham. Nicholas is sent to bring the baroness to Calhoun's apartments, and while searching for the baroness' house a carriage dashes up and Nicholas is invited to enter. The occupant is the baroness, who says she is being pursued. The pursuers are shaken and Nicholas is invited into the house and delivers Calhoun's message. He notes that the baroness has lost a slipper. Nicholas is given the remaining slipper as a pledge that she will tell Calhoun everything. He gives her as security an old trinket he intended for his sweet-est, Elizabeth Churchill. Elizabeth's father consents to Nicholas's proposal for her hand. Nicholas is ordered to leave at once for Montreal on state business, and is to be married that night. Calhoun becomes secretary of state. Tyler turns Pakenham that interference by England in the affairs of this continent will not be tolerated. The west demands that the joint occupancy of Oregon with Great Britain cease, and has raised the cry of "Fifty-four, Forty or Eight." The baroness tells Nicholas she will do her best to prevent his marriage. He returns the trinket and he promises to return her slipper. Nicholas enlists the services of Congressman Dandridge, rejected suitor of Elizabeth's, to assist in the arrangements for the wedding and trusts him with the return of the slipper to the baroness.

CHAPTER XI.

Who Giveth This Woman?

Who is this woman? A miracle of divine contractions.—Jules Michelet.

On my return to my quarters at town's hotel I looked at the top of my bureau. It was empty. My friend Dandridge had proved faithful. The upper of the baroness was gone! So I hurriedly, I began my toilet for that occasion which to any gentleman could be the one most exacting, the most important of his life's events. Elizabeth deserved better than this seemingly haste. Her sweetness and dignity, her adherence to the forms of her acquaintance with the elegancies, the dignities and conventions of the best of our society, bespoke for her ceremony more suited to her class and mine.

I told none about my quarters anything of my plans, but arranged for portmanteaus to be sent to the railway station for that evening's train. I hurried to the Bond's jewelry store and secured a ring—two sizes too big; for, in our haste, betrothal and wedding ring needed their first trial at the same day and hour. I found my waiting carriage which served my purpose, and into it I flung, urging the driver to carry me at top speed into Elmhurst road.

As we swung down the road I stepped forward, studying with interest the dust cloud of an approaching carriage. As it came near I called to my driver. The two vehicles paused a moment wheel to wheel. It was my friend Jack Dandridge who sprawled in the rear seat of the carriage! That to say, the fleshy portion of Jack Dandridge. His mind, his memory, all else, were gone. I sprang into his carriage and caught him roughly by the arm. I felt all his pockets, looked on the carriage floor, on the seat, and pulled the dust rug. At last I found the slipper.

"Did you see the baroness?" I asked, and this he beamed upon me with a smile.

"Did I?" said he, with gravity pulling down his long buff waistcoat. "Did you see the most admirable woman in all the world?" Of course, Miss 'Liz'beth Churchill also most admirable woman in the world!" he added politely, "but I don't see her."

The sudden sweat broke out upon my forehead. "Tell me, what have you done with the slipper?" I shook his head sadly. "Mistaken my friend! I gave you my most admirable woman in the world, just as you said, the baroness said, to Miss Elizabeth Churchill—most admirable woman in the world!"

"What do you see her?" I gasped. "Did you see her father—any of her family?" "I blush me, no!" rejoined this statesman. "Feelings delicacy required. Wash't in fit condition to visit the family mansion. Always

mos' delicate. Sent packazh in by servant, from gate—turned round—drove off—found you."

"My only answer was to spring from his carriage into my own and to order my driver to go on at a run. At last I reached the driveway of Elmhurst, my carriage wheels cutting the gravel as we galloped up to the front door. My approach was noted. Even as I hurried up the steps the tall form of none other than Mr. Daniel Churchill appeared to greet me. I extended my hand. He did not notice it. I began to speak. He bade me pause.

"To what may I attribute this visit, Mr. Trist?" he asked me, with dignity. "Since you ask me, and seem not to know," I replied, "I may say that I am here to marry your daughter, Miss Elizabeth! I presume that the minister of the gospel is already here?"

"The minister is here," he answered. "There lacks one thing—the bride."

"What do you mean?" He put out his arm across the door. "I regret that I must bar my door to you. But you must take my word, as coming from my daughter, that you are not to come here to-night."

I looked at him, my eyes staring wide. I could not believe what he said.

"Why," I began; "how utterly monstrous!"

A step sounded in the hall behind him, and he turned back. We were joined by the tall clerical figure of Rev. Dr. Halford, who had, it seemed, been at least one to keep his appointment as made. He raised his hand as if to silence me, and held out to me a certain object. It was the slipper of the Baroness Helena von Ritz—white, delicate, dainty, beribboned.

"Miss Elizabeth does not pretend to understand why your gift should take this form; but as the slipper evidently has been worn by some one, she suggests you may perhaps be in error in sending it at all." He spoke in even, icy tones.

"Let me into this house!" I demanded. "I must see her!"

There were two tall figures now, who stood side by side in the wide front door.

"But don't you see, there has been a mistake, a horrible mistake?" I demanded.

Dr. Halford, in his grave and quiet way, assisted himself to sniff. "Sir,"

thing of my errand of the night before.

"How could she?" I answered. "So far as I can recollect, I never mentioned the name of the Baroness von Ritz."

Then, all at once, I did recollect! I did remember that I had mentioned the name of the baroness that very morning to Elizabeth, when the baroness passed us in the east room!

Dr. Ward was keen enough to see the sudden confusion on my face, but he made no comment beyond saying that he doubted not time would clear it all up; that he had known many such affairs.

"But mind you one thing," he added; "keep those two women apart."

"Then why do you two doddering old idiots, you and John Calhoun, with life outworn and the blood dried in your veins, send me, since you doubt me so much, on an errand of this kind. You see what it has done for me. I am done with John Calhoun. He may get some other fool for his service."

"Where do you propose going, then, friend?"

"West," I answered. "West to the Rockies—"

Dr. Ward calmly produced a tortoise shell snuff-box from his left-hand waistcoat pocket, and deliberately took snuff. "You are going to do nothing of the kind," said he calmly. "You are going to keep your promise to John Calhoun and to me. Believe me, the business in hand is vital."

"I care nothing for that," I answered bitterly.

"But you are the agent of your country. You are called to do your country's urgent work. All life is only trouble vanquished. Ask you now to be a man; I not only expect it, but demand it of you!"

His words carried weight in spite of myself. I began to listen. I took from his hand the package, looked at it, examined it. Finally, as he sat silently regarding me, I broke the seal.

"Now, Nicholas Trist," resumed Dr. Ward presently, "there is to be at Montreal at the date named in these papers a meeting of the directors of the Hudson Bay Company of England. There will be big men there—the biggest their country can produce; leaders of the Hudson Bay Company, many public men even of England. It is rumored that a brother of Lord Aberdeen of the British ministry will attend. Do you begin to understand?"

Ah, did I not? Here, then, was further weaving of those complex plots which at that time hedged in all our history as a republic. Now I guessed the virtue of our knowing somewhat of England's secret plans, as she surely did of ours. I began to feel behind me the impulse of John Calhoun's swift energy.

"It is Oregon!" I exclaimed at last.

Dr. Ward nodded. "Very possibly. It has seemed to Mr. Calhoun very likely that we may hear something of great importance regarding the far northwest. A missed cog now may cost this country 1,000 miles of territory, 100 years of history."

In spite of myself, I began to feel the stimulus of a thought like this. It was my salvation as a man. I began to set aside myself and my own troubles.

"You are therefore," he concluded, "to go to Montreal, and find your own way into that meeting of the directors of the Hudson Bay Company. There is a bare chance that in this intrigue Mexico will have an emissary on the ground as well. There is reason to suspect her hostility to all our plans of extension, southwest and northwest. Naturally, it is the card of Mexico to bring on war, or accept it if we urge; but only in case she has England as her ally. England will get her pay by taking Texas, and what is more, by taking California, which Mexico does not value. She owes England large sums now. That would leave England owner of the Pacific coast; for, once she gets California, she will fight us then for all of Oregon. It is your duty to learn all of these matters—who is there, what is done; and to do this without making known your own identity."

I sat for a moment in thought. "It is an honor," said I finally; "an honor so large that under it I feel small."

"Now," said Dr. Ward, placing a gnarled hand on my shoulder, "you begin to talk like a Marylander. It's a race, my boy, a race across this continent. There are two trails—one north and one mid-continent. On these paths two nations contend in the greatest Marathon of all the world. England or the United States—monarchy or republic—aristocracy or humanity!"

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sidered, I felt lucky when we reached New York less than 24 hours out from Washington.

Up the Hudson I took the crack steamer Swallow, the same which just one year later was sunk while trying to beat her own record of nine hours and two minutes from New York to Albany. She required 11 hours on our trip. Under conditions then obtaining, it took me a day and a half more to reach Lake Ontario. Here, happily, I picked up a frail steam craft, owned by an adventurous soul who was not unwilling to risk his life and that of others on the uncertain and ice-filled waters of Ontario. With him I negotiated to carry me with others down the St. Lawrence. One delay after another with broken machinery, lack of fuel, running ice and what not, required five days more of my time ere I reached Montreal.

As I moved about from day to day, making such acquaintance as I could, I found in the air a feeling of excitement and expectation. The hotels, bad as they were, were packed. The public places were noisy, the private houses crowded. Gradually the town became half-military and half-savage. Persons of importance arrived by steamers up the river, on whose expense lay boats which might be bound for England—or for some of England's colonies. The government—not yet removed to Ottawa, later capital of Ontario—was then housed in the old Chateau Ramezay, built so long before for the French governor, Vaureuil.

Here, I had reason to believe, was now established no less a personage than Sir George Simpson, governor of the Hudson Bay Company. Rumor had it at the time that Lord Aberdeen of England himself was at Montreal. That was not true, but I established without doubt that his brother really was there, as well as Lieut. William Peel of the navy, son of Sir Robert Peel, England's prime minister.

I was not a week in Montreal before I learned that my master's guess, or his information, had been correct. The race was on for Oregon!

All these things, I say, I saw go on about me. Yet in truth as to the inner workings of this I could gain but little actual information. I saw England's ships, but it was not for me to know whether they were to turn Cape Hope or the Horn. I saw Canada's voyageurs, but they might be only on their annual journey, and might go no farther than their accustomed posts in the west. In French town and English town, among common soldiers, voyageurs, innkeepers and merchants, I wandered for more than one day and felt myself still helpless.

That is to say, such was the case until there came to my aid that greatest of all allies, Chance.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

SPORT IN HUNTING WOLVES

Found in West to Be Far Superior to the Pursuit of the Fleet Fox.

The wolf, in spite of its modest share in the founding of Rome and making heroes of our Boones and other pioneers, has never been considered of much use except to embellish a winter tale of snow or furnish bounties. He has been killed off pretty generally in the east, but in the west, where bounties on his scalp are the highest, he has thrived, although most of the wild animals that the states sought to preserve have become almost extinct. Many a farmer boy of Iowa and Minnesota has wept to see his winter spending money disappear when some reckless hunter in wantonness has laid low the faithful she wolf that for years has raised her bounty-producing litter in the farm wolf den. This despised animal, however, has a new mission, that of furnishing sport to the people such as not even the fox in his fleetest day could fill. From all over the west come reports of great hunts organized to run him down; the settlers of a Wyoming valley spent several days recently with dogs and guns on his trail; the farmers around Dayton, Ore., with their wives and sweethearts, had a wolf hunt that attracted people from all over the state; while Jackson county had a hunt at which the attendance was fully a thousand persons; "if the weather had been less perfectly adapted to farm work," says the local press, "the attendance might have been as many as six thousand."

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And when I asked her how she knew that the Louvre Rembrandt and not the American collector's was genuine she contented herself with evading her artistic nose.

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R. R. Smothers and family are visiting in Big Springs and Abilene. They will be gone for two or three weeks.

Ben Lewis is in El Paso for a visit of about ten days where he is having his eyes treated by a specialist.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Kennedy were in the city this week visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wilson.

Sam Carter, a native and prominent citizen of Hamilton county spent a few days in Reeves county this week prospecting.

W. W. Camp made a trip to Van Horn and the Mica Mines this week, taking a considerable drive through the country.

City Marshal Hight run in another Mexican this week and the mayor called his hand to the amount of the usual fine for being "drunk and disorderly."

Owing to the meeting at the Tabernacle the Pecos Commercial Club Band will postpone their Friday night concerts until the close of the meeting.

Bishop Kendrick will be in Pecos and hold Easter services in the Episcopal church in the morning and probably in the evening.

J. W. Whitten of Pyote, in town Wednesday, made the Record a pleasant visit. He is one of our substantial citizens and will move to his ranch near Pecos the latter part of the year.

John DeRacey sold to Mr. Dixon of Lamesa 170 head of cows. They were shipped from Pecos Monday. They were very good stock and the price paid was \$25 per head.

Mrs. H. M. Cummings left last week for Arlington where she will await the arrival of the doctor who will leave Pecos for that place as soon as the Pecos Drug Cos' property is turned over to the new purchasers, who will take charge by the 20th inst. as per contract.

B. T. Biggs was this week exhibiting Pecos grown alfalfa measuring 52 1-2 inches long. While all in the patch is not this long the coat is heavy and the yield per acre is estimated at approximately a ton and a half. Let the knockers knock, but sensible people sometimes believe half they see with their naked eye, if not more.

Cards are out announcing the nuptials on the 25th of this month of Miss Myrtle Briscoe and Mr. R. E. Johnson, which will take place at the Christian church in this city. These are popular young people and the announcement came as a surprise to their numerous friends in Pecos.

Mrs. Trimble from Barstow is visiting her cousin, Mrs. W. A. Hudson for a few days.

The Philathea class of the Baptist church is well organized and meets Monday night for business. It has adopted a class song, has thirty-two members and is doing a useful work among the young women of the town, both instructive and interesting.

The graduating class of the high school, composed of six or seven young ladies autoed out to the farm Thursday afternoon and had a delightful time picnicing in the shade of that pleasant spot.

The Schubert Symphony Club and Lady Quartet of Chicago will be here April 29th, under the management of the Baptist Ladies Aid society. This musical company is highly appreciated by all lovers of music and it will surely command a good audience in Pecos.

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The agricultural and manufacturing exhibits interest business men; the handwork of Cuban women and old exhibits such as the \$100 fan, etc., will entertain ladies; while the entire exhibit is educational for school children, and the Cuban monkey and alligator interests the little folks. The relics from the wrecked Battleship Maine are, of course, interesting to everyone.

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