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**FT. DAVIS CAMP-MEETING.**

An ideal spot for a camp-meeting ground is found in a lovely green valley surrounded and protected by gorgeous mountains, midway between Marfa and Ft. Davis. Nature seems to have exerted herself in beautifying this one spot enshrouded now by the light of the cool salvation seekers among the wealthiest cattlemen of Western Texas. For ten years have they collected in this valley and spent a week purifying their souls, seeking communion with God, and preparing for better lives.

With pride and merit do these people gather here for many miles, recognize Rev. W. B. Bloya, the Presbyterian pastor at Ft. Davis, as the founder of this most noted of all camp-meetings, and still their leader and director.

This year, on July 30th, a party of eight alighted from the train at Hornscho and surely it is worth a peep and an honorable one, to step from a Pullman car and find yourself in such hospitable hands. We were met by Willie Evans, a son of the popular cattlemen, who had taken us in charge, and we started for the camp ground. As we leave the station, the temptation is to try and see both sides of the way at once. Over plains, studded with flowers nodding and beckoning our coming, through valleys green and beautiful, with overhanging mountains dotted with trees, buttressed with a sloping mass of white and red stone and with steel skylines, they take on new beauty and interest as every mile. A picturesque and lovely scene with a beauty of its own delighting the eye of an artist. To actually travel with eyes and mind open, is better than any book. The views are all of wonderful beauty and every mile will repay the most careful attention.

After a ride of fifteen miles we stopped at the E. V. Ranch in Panther Canyon, the local ranch home of Mr. G. W. Evans, so well known to the Western people. There is but one approach to this home as it is situated a valley triangularly bounded by mountains on all sides, so only

through the mouth of the canyon can you enter. Enjoying the hospitality of this generous family we started, the next day, in company with them, through this grand valley cut through such noble mountains offering splendid views on either side. At twilight we are stopped at another interesting and hospitable ranch, the home of John Z. Means. We find here a crowd of seventy-four, all prepared for the mornings journey to the famous camp ground. An interesting program is carried out for the entertainment of the young people as well as the older ones.

To watch the procession winding over hills, through valleys and across the plains is a sight one rarely beholds. Buggies, carriages, hacks, wagons and horseback riders, (about 300 in number) coming along, might remind one of the good people in ancient times traveling towards Mecca and Jerusalem.

When we arrive at this place, we are surprised at the changed aspect as well as climate of the country. The place has an altitude of 6000 feet. From this point of the road we now see the most striking mountains, for like a well ordered work of art and just beyond in the finest scenes of all and make the climax of the whole wonderful ride through the country. The huge mass of red stone lifted like a wall above the road is evidently a source of wealth. Each family has his own "chick" wagon and Mexican hawks. Two hawks are killed each day provided by the cattlemen for the entire ground, free of charge. To see the little cloth houses, about sixty in number, spread under trees, dotting the whole valley and posing as one of the most interesting and beautiful pictures, would cause the most dependent heart to leap with joyful admiration. In the midst of them, there is stretched a larger tent where the six services are held each day. Just after the last ring of the bell close by—listen! watch! a troupe of merry lads and lassies, a crowd of children, then older men and women all collecting under this one house of worship. After praise

T. E. POWELL, Pres. HARRY MEYER, V. P. FRED LANE Cashier.

## The Home Nat. Bank OF BAIRD.

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Piles are not only in, and of themselves very painful and annoying, but often greatly aggravate and even cause other grave and painful affections, and should therefore not be neglected.

## You ought To Know? BY THIS TIME.

That you can save money by going to Boyles for anything in the Saddlery or Buggy line. **WHITE ELEPHANT AND ANCHOR BUGGIES.** A full rubber top buggy, leather trimmings, for \$49.00 cash. Saddles, my own make, none better call and see them. Buggy and Team Harness, my own make, \$7.00 and up. Buggy Dollar Pair best on earth, 15 inches wide tire pair. Buggy Whips, solid raw hide from end to end, 50c. Remember with each cash purchase of \$5 you get one ticket on our \$100 Buggy to be given away. Call and see us. Yours for business.

**C. S. BOYLES, Baird, Texas.**

to Him who rules all, we are blessed with words from worthy divines who are present. Among them this year were Dr. Little, Presbyterian minister, of Denison, Rev. M. K. Little, Methodist pastor at Fort Worth, Dr. B. H. Carroll, Baptist, of Waco, Rev. L. H. Millican, Baptist, of Alamo, Rev. Bunting, Pecca, Rev. Miller, of Valentine, Rev. T. Eagle, Pecca and Rev. Bishop, of Denison.

With the help of these able bodied and soul inspiring ministers, also others as Mr. C. B. Smith and Dr. Trulove with Dr. Bloya at the wheel, one of the grandest and most famous camp meetings rolled into the past to be remembered as a spiritual feast enjoyed by those fortunate enough to partake.

Not only West Texas, but the entire state should be proud of this glorious undertaking—where peace, happiness and good will, all in one, is sustained throughout the meeting.

Each year they bid farewell with the hymnal, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

**WET OR DRY MOON.**

The new moon for this month hangs on its point, which some say means a wet moon, while others as stoutly contend that it means dry weather. Just make a note of this, and see how it pans out.

NOTE—Since the above was written it has faded.

Herman Schwartz has sold his stock of furniture to Vaughn & Co., but retains the undertaking business. This leaves only one furniture store in town.

**DIED.**

Mrs. J. C. Walker, who has been in failing health for more than a year, died, at Putnam, Wednesday, at 11 Walker, foreman of THE STAR office received a telegram Wednesday morning that his mother was dangerously ill and he left at once for Putnam, where he found his mother dying, and she passed away at 1 p. m. Mrs. Walker leaves a husband and four children to mourn her loss; J. H., of THE STAR, eldest; Ben, Beale and a little babe four months old.

We tender our sincere sympathy to the bereaved husband and children in their hour of sorrow. Mrs. Walker was a most estimable lady and her sufferings with Christian fortitude and as she had lived, a Christian.

The remains were interred in the Putnam Cemetery yesterday at 11 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Walker, Miss Eliza Gilliland and Rev. C. W. Irvin, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, of Baird, attended the funeral. A suitable obituary will appear later.

**A SHOW OF QUALITY-ONE OF THEM.**

Cambell Bros' consolidated railroad shows, rare manager, strange museum, and trained animal exhibition, will be at Abilene on Thursday, Sept. 6; and at Cisco on Friday, Sept. 7. Finest brightest, up-to-date, manager, museum and exhibition of trained animals. Positively and emphatically the only feature show for the season of 1900. Modest in its promises, lavish in its arrangements, always honest in its performance, it is the very acme of perfection, presenting at all times twice as much as advertised, and producing performance never before seen, which cannot be duplicated by any other show, no matter how great or small. \$50.000 troupe of performing elephants. Grand free street parade at 10 o'clock a. m. Wonderful outside free exhibitions daily on the show grounds. Two performances daily at 2 and 8 p. m. Doors open one hour earlier. Postoffice appears on date announced. One day only. Cheap concessions on all railroads.

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**R. PHILLIPS.**

# Do You Want a Stove?



If you want to buy a cook Stove anywhere from \$10 up, I have just received a car load, and am prepared to sell cheaper than anyone. Will trim these stoves with enameled steel ware, something new for Baird. I also handle

**Pueblo and Dallas Saddles,**  
Double and Single Harness, in fact anything in Hardware or Saddlery. Yours for Trade, **R. E. CUB-HADLEY**









# THE SPINNING OF CHINA.

## They Are a Happy Class of People.

A rich Chinaman wears silk, a poor one cotton. Since the棉纺 machine which to poor is about one in a thousand, it follows that the growth and manufacture of cotton are vital necessities. It is thought cotton culture was begun in the thirteenth century, the plant coming in from India, where...

for taking out the seed. Instead, the Chinese use the little hand-gigs very like those still to be found in the humber regions of the Appalachians... Nothing is wasted in China. Even grass and wheat roots are pulled up, washed and used as a chance for silk.

of the breast to the finger tip. Fashion does not change. Winter garments and bedding are wadded with cotton. One year's material is not ripened apart when worn, and mending is all.

### THE WEAVER.

It has been known for 2000 years. In spite of her unrequited agriculture, China does not raise cotton for export—nor, in fact, makes her own yarns.

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### THE STONE CUTTERS.

According to the average price of articles of consumption in China 25 cents is equivalent to \$250 in the United States.

### MOB DENOUNCED.

#### Sherman Citizens Censure Recent Action Taken at Akron.

Sherman, Tex., Aug. 25.—A public meeting of citizens was held in the town Monday evening, presided over by Judge R. H. Hancock, and the following resolutions were passed: We are informed by the public press of the country that a riotous mob has defied the law and put the peace officers of the city of Akron, Ohio, at their mercy.

### GHASTLY SCENE.

#### Man Found Dead With a Pistol Hole in His Head.

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 27.—A man whose name was given as Gus Hoble by patrolmen claiming to have seen him, was found dead in a room at a boardinghouse on the corner of Camp and Lamar streets, near the Texas and Pacific telephone depot Sunday shortly after noon.

Resolved, that the citizens of Sherman, state of Texas, here assembled, solemnly protest and remonstrate against such unprovoked conduct on the part of our state of Ohio, and we admonish them of the pernicious example thus displayed in setting the law of the land at defiance in this age of civilization and land of Christians.

### AN ENEMY'S DEED.

#### Texarkana, Tex., Aug. 27.—In Beech

Washington, Aug. 25.—The important development in the Chinese situation was the decision of the government not to send any more troops to China. All the troops now at sea, amounting to about 600 together with those under orders for service in the far east, which have not sailed, amounting to about 3000 more, will be sent to Manila.

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### RAILWAYS PAY TAX.

#### Austin, Tex., Aug. 27.—Railroad

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### A VIEW OF THE CITY OF CHING KING, IMPORTANT COTTON CENTER AND BOXED THROUGH OLD

## Russians Saved Women and Children.

We occasionally hear alive reports of the conflict of the Russian soldiers to the Belt. As a matter of fact, such reports generally emanate from untrustworthy sources. The fact is that we're it not for the protecting arm of the czar's soldiers in China, terrible bloodshed would have resulted at many points. Some days before the capture of Tientsin a company of Russian soldiers entered the city.

They are bombing us heavier to-day than heretofore. Early this morning we were struck by a shell which was popping through the shutter slats. Four bullets pierced the shutters, but they did not strike me. I rushed to the commanding officer and told him that the bullets must have come from a Chinaman concealed in a tree flanking the window. Calling four Cossacks, we went to the tree, and sure enough there it was. One Chinaman, whose first inquiry was whether he had killed the lady. I told him it was very much alive. He would be assassinated immediately and shot. \* \* \* All else may be dead, but heretic still lives. Jim Watts rides to Tokyo to let us know.

make out a good case for Marconi's claims in Louisiana, but the fabric is woven and manufactured by Americans in Louisiana, but the fabric is so scarce it does not compete with the Chinese one.

in this country, are formulating plans to turn the entire domain in Africa into a gigantic fruit garden. They expect that the product of their venture will supply the whole of Europe with fruit that can be raised only in hot and moist climates.

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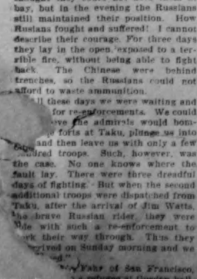
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